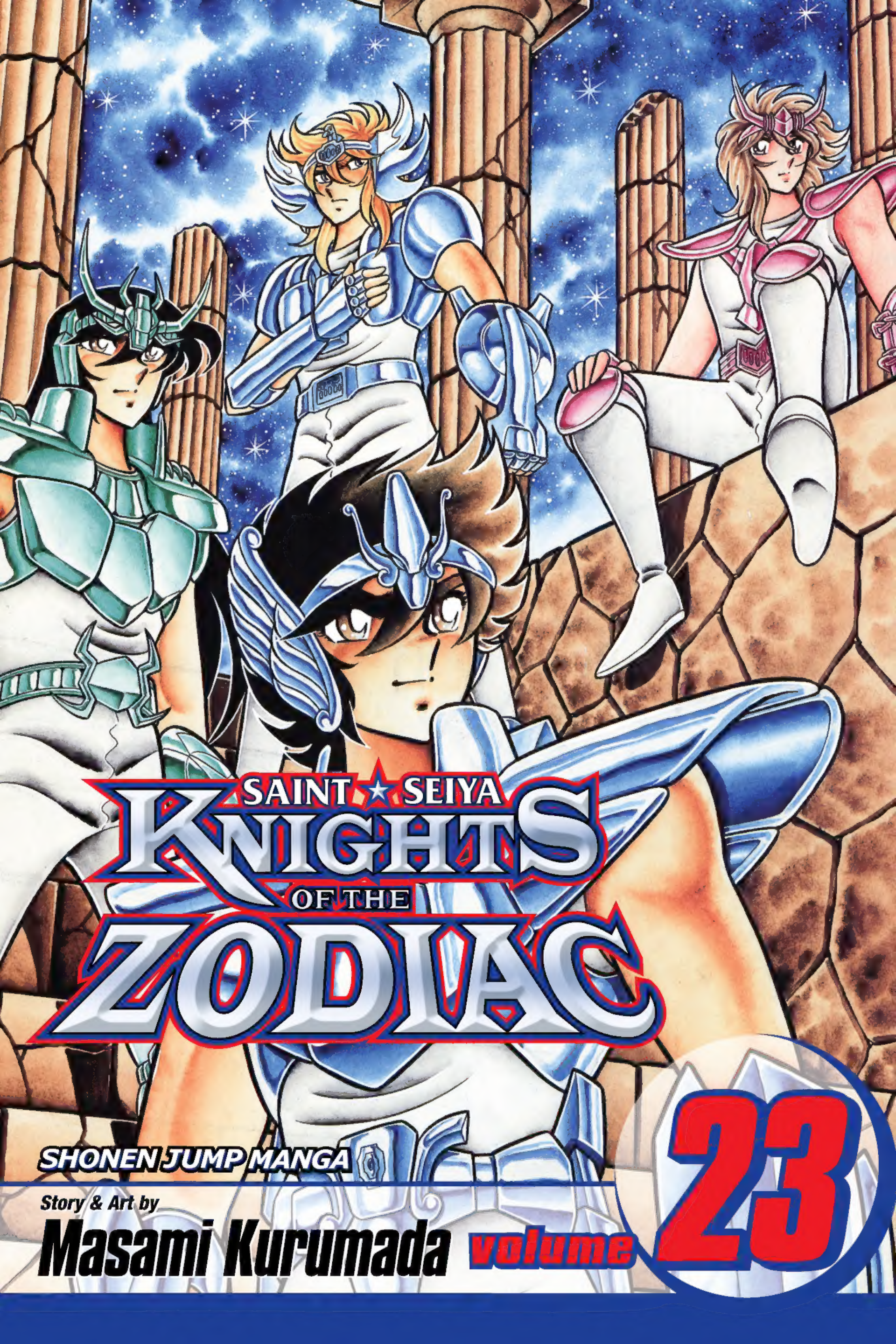
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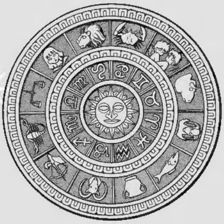

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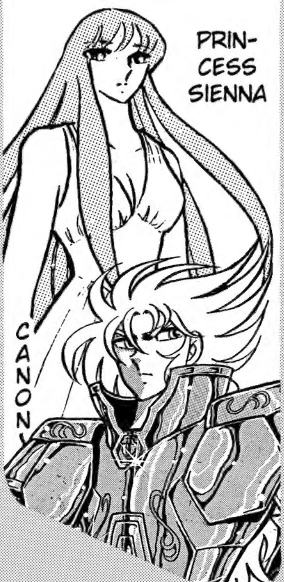

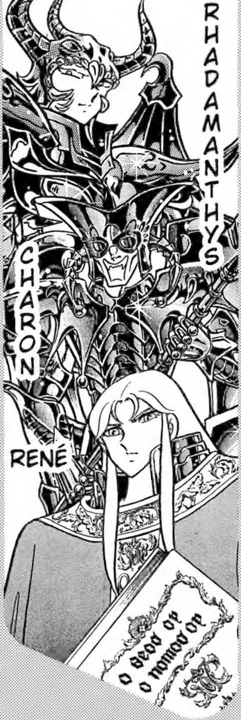

THE STORY THUS FAR ...

LEGENDS SPEAK OF YOUNG MEN WHO PROTECTED THE GREEK GODDESS ATHENA. KNOWN AS ATHENA'S KNIGHTS, THEY WERE SAID TO WIELD PUNCHES THAT CRACKED THE SKY AND KICKS THAT SPLIT THE EARTH. TO RAISE WARRIORS WITH THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT FOR PRINCESS SIENNA, THE INCARNATION OF ATHENA, LORD NOBU OF THE GRANDE FOUNDATION SENT 100 BOYS OUT INTO THE WORLD TO TRAIN AS KNIGHTS. FOUR BRONZE KNIGHTS--SEIYA, HYÔGA, SHIRYÛ AND SHUN--SUCCEEDED BRILLIANTLY IN THEIR TRAINING. IN BATTLES AGAINST THE CORRUPT MASTER OF SANCTUARY AND THE SEA GOD POSEIDON, THE LOVE AND JUSTICE OF ATHENA AND HER KNIGHTS TRIUMPHED.

BUT THIS PEACE HAS BEEN FLEETING, AS HADES, THE GOD OF THE UNDERWORLD, HAS ARISEN TO INVADE THE EARTH WITH HIS ARMY OF SPECTERS. AMONG THE SPECTERS ARE THE DECEASED GOLD KNIGHTS SAGA, SHURA AND CAMUS. KNIGHTS PAST AND PRESENT MEET IN A BITTER BATTLE, DURING WHICH THE GOLD KNIGHT SHAKA FALLS AND ATHENA TAKES HER OWN LIFE. MEANWHILE, THE BRONZE KNIGHTS DESCEND INTO THE KINGDOM OF HADES...

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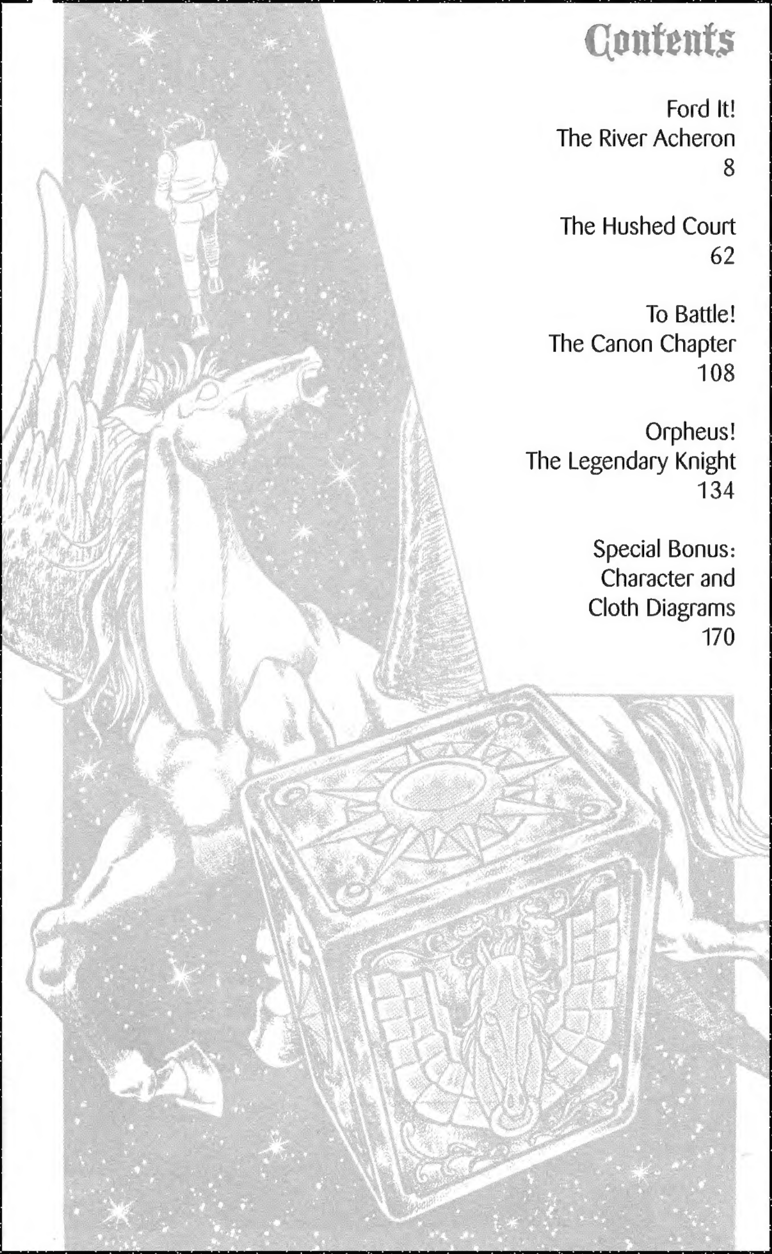


SAINT SEIYA
KNIGHTS OF THE ZODIAC

FORD IT!
THE RIVER
ACHERON

READ THIS WAY

SHUN !!
HEY, SHUN !!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
UNH...
SEIYA ...
YOU LEAPT INTO THE PIT, TOO?
YEAH.
SO DID HYÔGA AND SHIRYÛ... EVEN RÔSHI...
I'M SO GLAD YOU WERE ABLE TO AWAKEN YOUR *EIGHTH SENSE.*
EIGHTH SENSE?

HUH. SO THAT'S WHAT RÔSHI WANTED TO TELL US.
BOTH ATHENA AND SHAKA AWAKENED THE EIGHTH SENSE AND HEADED FOR HADES.
YEAH. AND I JUST *KNOW* SHIRYÛ AND HYÔGA MADE IT HERE, TOO.
NO QUES-TION.
ALL RIGHT, THEN. LET'S CATCH UP WITH ATHENA RIGHT AWAY.
AFTER ALL, WE'VE GOT HER CLOTH!
BUT LOOK AT THIS VAST WASTELAND, STRETCHING FOREVER UNDER THE PITCH-BLACK SKY...
I CAN'T EVEN TELL WHICH WAY IS WHICH! WHERE SHOULD WE GO?
ER... SEIYA ...
HUH ?
WHAT'S THAT?

ΟΠΟΙΟΣ
ΜΠΑΙΝΕΙ ΕΔΩ
ΝΑ ΠΑΡΑΤΑ ΚΑΘΕ ΕΛΠΙΔΑ

READ THIS WAY
ΟΠΟΙΟΣ ΜΠΑΙΝΕΙ ΕΔΩ ΠΑΡΑΤΑ ΚΑΘΕ ΕΛΠ
IT'S THE GATE OF HELL!!
LOOKS LIKE THIS GATE IS THE ENTRANCE TO THE UNDER-WORLD.
SEIYA, THOSE WORDS INSCRIBED AT THE TOP...
IT'S GREEK.
ABAN-DON ALL HOPE...
ΟΠΟΙΟΣ ΜΠΑΙΝΕΙ ΕΔΩ ΝΑ ΠΑΡΑΤΑ ΚΑΘΕ ΕΛΠΙΔΑ
...YE WHO ENTER HERE.

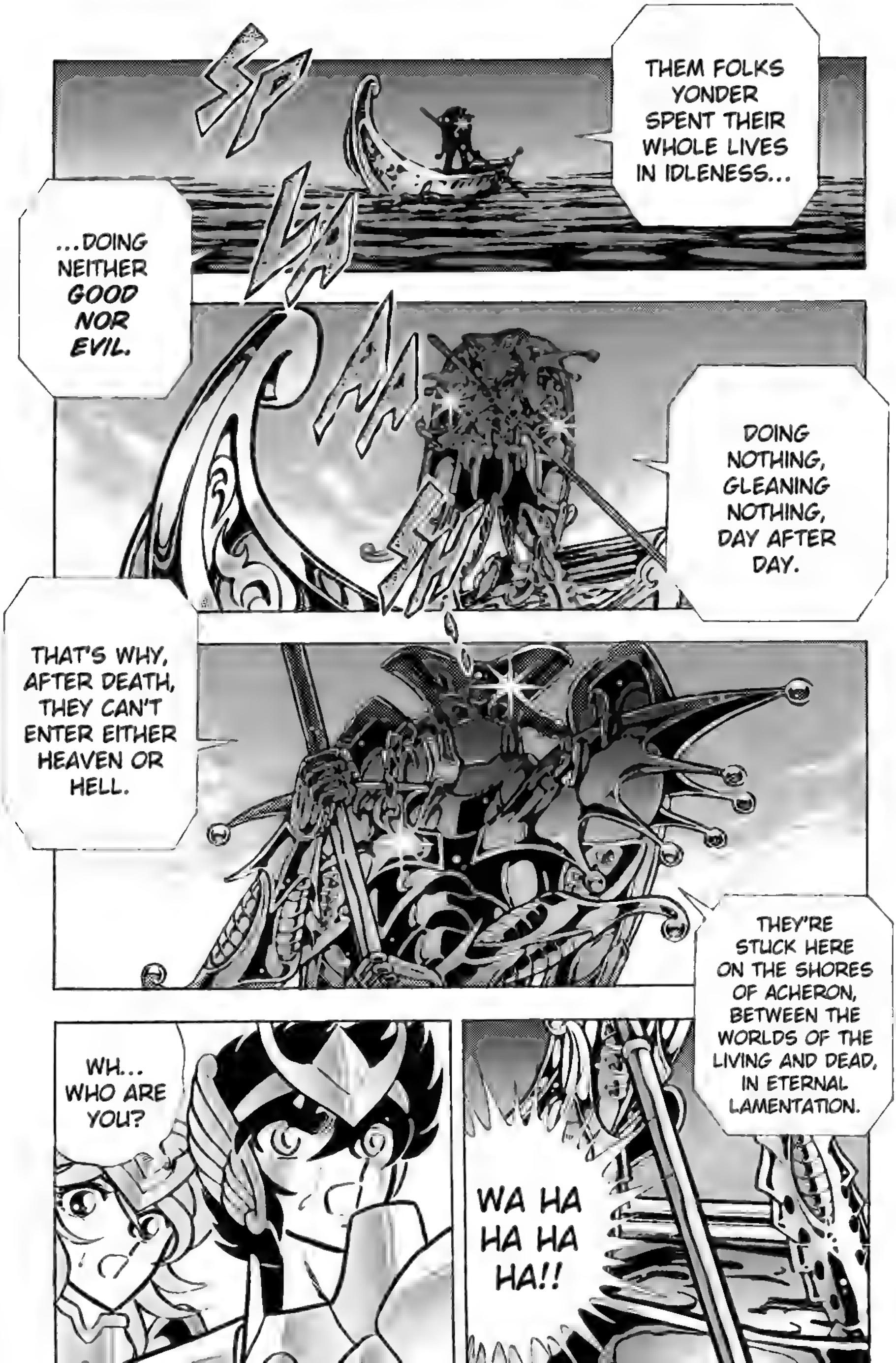
IT SAYS... "ABANDON ALL HOPE... YE WHO ENTER HERE."
I'D HEARD THAT THE GATE OF HELL WAS ALSO KNOWN AS THE GATE OF DESPAIR...
...BUT WHAT CRUEL, PITILESS WORDS.
THE ONE THING THAT PEOPLE WHO HAVE LOST EVERYTHING CAN STILL GRASP ONTO...
...IS HOPE.
HOW DARE HADES...
...TRY TO ROB PEOPLE EVEN OF *HOPE?*
IT CERTAINLY MAKES IT CLEAR HOW MERCILESS THE LAND OF THE DEAD IS.
YEAH.
BUT DON'T FORGET, SHUN. WHEN PANDORA'S BOX WAS OPENED BACK IN THE AGE OF MYTHS, RELEASING 108 EVILS ONTO THE WORLD...
...THEY SAY HOPE STILL REMAINED AT THE VERY END.

READ THIS WAY

IS THIS AN OCEAN?
NO. FROM ITS FLOW, IT'S GOT TO BE A RIVER.
WHAT A GIGANTIC RIVER, THOUGH. I CAN'T SEE THE OPPOSITE SHORE!
THIS MUST BE THE INFAMOUS RIVER ACHERON.
OH!

WAH ...
HAAH ...
AAAH ...
UNNNH ...
AIEEE ...
SOB... SOB... SOB...

AIEE ...
SOB... SOB...
WAAH...
WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE?
AAAH ...
UNNNH ...
HEY, CAN'T YOU HEAR ME? HELLO?
HEY, WHAT'S WRONG? WHY'RE YOU ALL SO SAD?
OH!
HEY!
SPLOOOSH
SAY WHAT YOU LIKE! THEY'LL NEVER RESPOND!!
HEH HEH HEH HEH...IT'S USELESS, USELESS!!

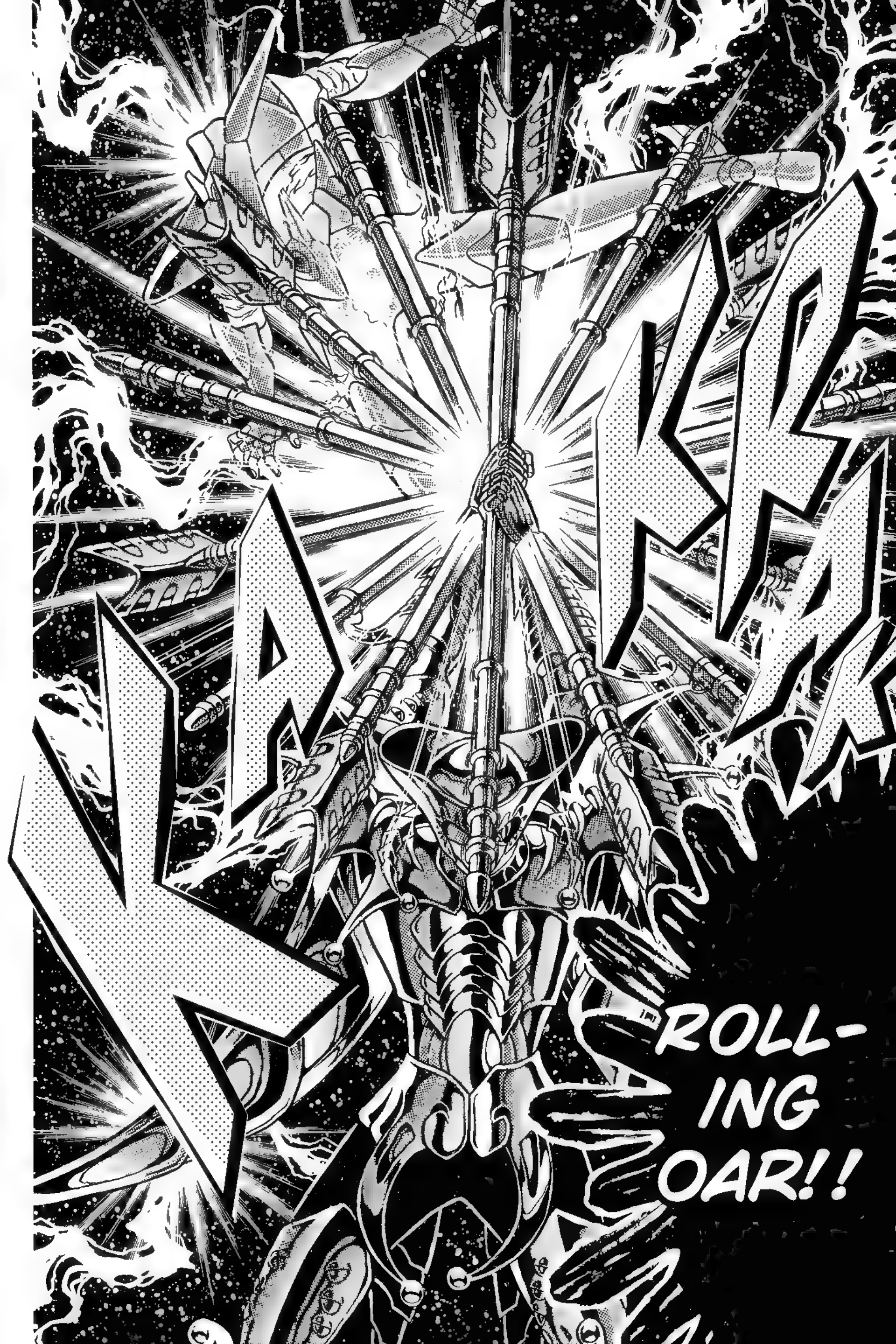

THEM FOLKS YONDER SPENT THEIR WHOLE LIVES IN IDLENESS...
SP LA SH
...DOING NEITHER GOOD NOR EVIL.
DOING NOTHING, GLEANING NOTHING, DAY AFTER DAY.
THAT'S WHY, AFTER DEATH, THEY CAN'T ENTER EITHER HEAVEN OR HELL.
THEY'RE STUCK HERE ON THE SHORES OF ACHERON, BETWEEN THE WORLDS OF THE LIVING AND DEAD, IN ETERNAL LAMENTATION.
WH... WHO ARE YOU?
WA HA HA HA HA!!

I'M THE FERRY-MAN OF HELL!!
CELESTIAL INTERVAL STAR ACHERON CHARON!!

THAT'S RIGHT! THERE'S NOTHING MORE DISGUSTING THAN WASTING YOUR PRECIOUS LIFE, JUST LETTING THE YEARS SLIDE BY!!
NOW HURRY UP AND CLIMB ABOARD! ARE YOU TWO THE ONLY DEAD SOULS TODAY?
HUH... SO YOU'RE SAYING THE GODS DON'T LOOK KINDLY...
...ON PEOPLE WHO LIVE WITHOUT PUR-POSE?
HANG ON!
WAIT A SEC! YOU'RE NOT DEAD!!
WHY ARE LIVING HUMANS COMING THROUGH THE GATE OF HELL TO THE SHORES OF THE ACHERON?

THE ONLY LIVING BEINGS WHO CAN COME HERE ARE SPECTERS WHO HAVE PLEDGED FEALTY TO LORD HADES!!
I DON'T CARE HOW OR WHY YOU'RE HERE, BUT GO HOME! NOW!!
SORRY, BUT WE DIDN'T JUST WANDER IN HERE!!
WE NEED A RIDE TO THE OPPOSITE SHORE!!
UNH!
WHAT?

SPLASH
UGH!
I SEE. WE WERE TOLD ATHENA HAD INVADED THE UNDERWORLD. ARE YOU HER KNIGHTS?
YUP!
BUT WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO PLAY 20 QUES-TIONS!
LET US ON AND TAKE US ACROSS!!
FOOLS!!


ROLL-
ING
OAR!!

OOF
SEIYA !!
SPLASH
UNH... ARGH ...
HERE IN THE UNDERWORLD, WHERE HADES HAS REIGNED SUPREME SINCE THE AGE OF MYTHS, HUMANS ARE AS PUNY AS MAGGOTS!
HEH HEH HEH. YOU TWO ARE LIKE MOTHS TO THE PROVERBIAL FLAME.
I'LL BASH YOUR HEADS IN AS EASILY AS I SQUASH BUGS UNDER MY HEEL!

KRASHUNK
KLINK
KLINK
KLINK
GRR... LITTLE WHELP...
YES!!
AND WE DIDN'T ABANDON ANY HOPE AT THE GATE OF HELL!!
DON'T FORGET ABOUT ME.
YOU REALLY WANT TO CROSS THAT BADLY, BOY?

WHAT A JOKE!!
YOU THINK YOUR PUNY CHAIN CAN STOP ME?
I'LL SMASH IT INTO SMITHEREENS ALONG WITH YOUR HEAD!!
TAKE THIS !!
UNH!

WHOOSH
PEGASUS METEOR PUNCH!!
HUH?
FEH!
ROLLING OAR!!
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG

READ THIS WAY
UNH !!
SPLASH
HE BLOCKED ALL MY METEOR PUNCHES !!
SEIYA !!
HEH...I CAN SPIN MY OAR IN A MERE 1/1000TH OF A SECOND.
THAT'S FASTER THAN MACH 18. NO ATTACK OR DEFENSE CAN BEAT IT.
BUT YOU TWO ARE SUCH PESTS. IF I SWAT AT ONE, THE OTHER BUZZES UP.
I HATE THESE LITTLE ANNOYANCES.
HFF
HFF
HFF
HFF

SPLASH
WHAT?
WHICH RE-MINDS ME...
TO BE FRANK, LETTING YOU GO IS NO SKIN OFF MY NOSE.
I GIVE UP. IT'S TOO MUCH TROUBLE.
OH, PLEASE. ENOUGH WITH THE LONG FACES.
...HOW MANY COINS YOU GOT ON YOU?
COINS! CLINKERS, MOOLAH!
EVEN IN HELL, MONEY TALKS. HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE...
MONEY?
HUH?
GIVE ME A BREAK! WHY WOULD WE HAVE ANY MONEY?
THAT'S RIGHT. I'LL FERRY YOU ACROSS IF YOU PAY YOUR FARE.

IS THAT THE TRUTH?
SHUN!
YOU'LL REALLY TAKE US ACROSS IF WE PAY YOU?
CRUNCH
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT. IT'S THE RULE. ALL THE SOULS THAT WANT TO CROSS HAVE TO PAY THEIR WAY IN SILVER.
IT'S THE RIVER ACHER-ON'S TOLL... HEH HEH HEH.
THOSE WHO WEREN'T BURIED WITH THEIR FARE AREN'T ALLOWED ON MY BOAT, SO THEY JUST WANDER THE SHORE, SOMETIMES GOING BACK INTO THE WORLD OF THE LIVING...
...AS GHOSTS... HEE HEE HEE...
NOW, DO YOU HAVE COINS OR NOT?
IF NOT, I'M NOT LETTING YOU ON!!

IDIOT! YOU THINK WE BROUGHT CASH?
WE CAN FORCE OUR WAY ACROSS !!
SHUN !!
SEIYA, WAIT.
IT'S NOT SILVER ...
...BUT COULD YOU ACCEPT THIS?
HUH ?
SHUN ...
YOURS EVER

HO, THIS IS GOLD!
AND A PRETTY POSH TRINKET, TOO.
SHUN, WHAT IS THAT PEN-DANT?
I'VE HAD IT AS LONG AS I CAN REMEM-BER.
IKKI SAID IT WAS PROBABLY AN HEIRLOOM FROM OUR MOTHER, WHOM WE NEVER KNEW.
I'VE NEVER TAKEN IT OFF BEFORE.
YOU CAN'T JUST GIVE IT AWAY!
IT'S ALL RIGHT, SEIYA.
IF IT PREVENTS A FUTILE BATTLE...
IF THIS LITTLE PENDANT CAN HELP US, IT'S WELL WORTH IT.
B... BUT...
OKAY, OKAY! IT'S NOT MUCH, BUT I'LL LET YOU ON!!
NOW GET IN HERE!!

I AM THE FERRYMAN OF HELL, YEAH, YEAH, YEAH...
IF YOU FALL INTO THE RIVER ACHERON, YOU'LL NEVER COME BACK UP, YOU KNOW.
NO, AND I DON'T CARE. HOW MUCH FUR-THER?
I FEEL LIKE WE'VE BEEN TRAVELING FOR-EVER...
PATIENCE, BRAT. THE ACHERON IS NO PUNY CREEK.
WE'RE ONLY ABOUT HALF-WAY ACROSS.
THIS RIVER SWALLOWS EVERYTHING THAT ENTERS IT.
YOU CAN'T SWIM OR FLOAT IN IT. YOU'LL JUST GET DRAGGED TO THE BOTTOM. SCARY, EH?

ONCE AGAIN TONIGHT...I PUSH INTO THE MOONLESS NIGHT...CARRYING THE DEAD ACROSS...
HEY, BRATS! DON'T GET MESMERIZED BY MY SONG AND FALL OUT OF THE BOAT!
WHO SAYS WE'RE LISTENING?
WHAT? ONLY HALFWAY?
SO THIS IS ROUGHLY THE CENTER OF THE RIVER?
THAT'S RIGHT. THE DEEPEST AND COLDEST PART OF THE ACHERON...
...AND THE PLACE WHERE YOU'RE GETTING OFF!
UNH!
WHAT?

SPLASH
WAAAAH!!
NO!
SEIYA!!
YOUR PENDANT ONLY GETS YOU THIS FAR! HEE HEE HEE!
SORRY, BUT THAT WASN'T ENOUGH FOR TWO FULL FARES!!
THAT'S PLAYING DIRTY!!
WHAT?

HEH HEH HEH. REMEMBER, YOU CAN'T SWIM IN THE RIVER ACHERON.
SEIYA!!
WAAH!!
GLUB GLUB
THE DEAD SOULS IN THE RIVER WILL DRAG YOU TO THE BOTTOM.
OH, AND THAT'S NOT ALL.
SINCE THESE SOULS CAN'T DIE *TWICE,* THEY CAN ONLY WRITHE IN THESE MURKY WATERS FOR ALL ETERNITY!!
THE BOTTOM IS TEEMING WITH THE FOOLS WHO TRIED TO SWIM ACROSS!!
CIRCLE CHAIN!!
UGH!
SEIYA!!
OH, NO!

KASHINK
GLUB
GLUB
GLUB
HANG IN THERE, SEIYA!!
HEY!
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?
HE'S BEEN GETTING A FREE RIDE!! HE DE-SERVES TO BE KICKED OFF!!
GRRR
GRRR
UNNNH ...
UNH!

BUT YOU PAID WITH THAT PENDANT, SO I DON'T MIND TAKING YOU THE WHOLE WAY!!
UNNH ...
NOW LET GO OF THAT CHAIN!!
N... NO...
WHAT?
HOW DARE YOU?
GRRR
GRRR
GRRR
THEN YOU CAN DROWN ALONG WITH HIM...
...IN THE RIVER OF DEATH!!

FEH!!
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG
KLANG
HUH?
YOU'RE STILL ALIVE!!
HFF
HFF
SEIYA!!
HFF
THE FIGHT'S NOT OVER YET, CHARON!!
TAKE THIS! PEGASUS METEOR PUNCH!!

FOOL! HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO SHOW YOU?
YOUR METEOR PUNCH IS NO MATCH FOR MY ROLLING OAR!!
WHAT? NO WAY...
HUH ?
THOOM
D... DON'T TELL ME...
...ONE OF HIS PUNCHES MANAGED TO SLIP PAST THE WHIRLING OAR...

UNH!!
UNH!!
UNNH!!
AIEE...
HE KEEPS HITTING ME!!
AIEE...
LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING, CHARON!!
YOU CAN'T HIT A KNIGHT WITH THE SAME ATTACK TWICE!!
HIS PUNCHES ARE PAST MACH SPEED!

TAKE THIS!! THE TRUE MIGHT OF THE PEGASUS METEOR PUNCH!!

ZHHH
A... A...
ACHOO!
IT'S MY OWN FAULT FOR LETTING DOWN MY GUARD. HE'S A SLIPPERY GUY, THAT CHARON.
ARE YOU OKAY, SEIYA?
SPLOOSH
TH... THANKS, SHUN.
H...H... HELP! HURRY! GLUB GLUB GLUB...
GLUB... GLUB... HEY!
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
AIEE ...
TIME YOU GOT A TASTE OF YOUR OWN MEDICINE.
IT'S A FITTING PUNISHMENT FOR TORMENTING THE DEAD ALONG THE SHORE.

YOU MAY HAVE THE BOAT, BUT DO YOU KNOW WHICH WAY IS EAST OR WEST?
ONLY I KNOW HOW TO FORD THIS RIVER!!
GLUB
GLUB
I...IF YOU DON'T RESCUE ME, YOU'LL NEVER GET TO THE OTHER SIDE!!
WHAT?
SEIYA?
GRR...
H... HURRY UP! GLUB GLUB... HELP ME... AND THIS TIME...
...I SWEAR... GLUB GLUB...I'LL TAKE YOU ACROSS FOR REAL!
UNH!

WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE. HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN GET US ACROSS IN TIME.
SPLSH
SPLSH
SPLSH
SHUN !!
HE'LL COME AFTER US AS SOON AS HE'S BACK ON THE BOAT!!
BUT HOW CAN WE TRUST HIM?
LET'S TRUST HIM, OKAY, SEIYA?
SIGH... I HOPE I DON'T END UP SAYING, "I TOLD YOU SO."
I'LL TRUST HIM.
SHUN ...
THAT'S ALL WE CAN DO RIGHT NOW.

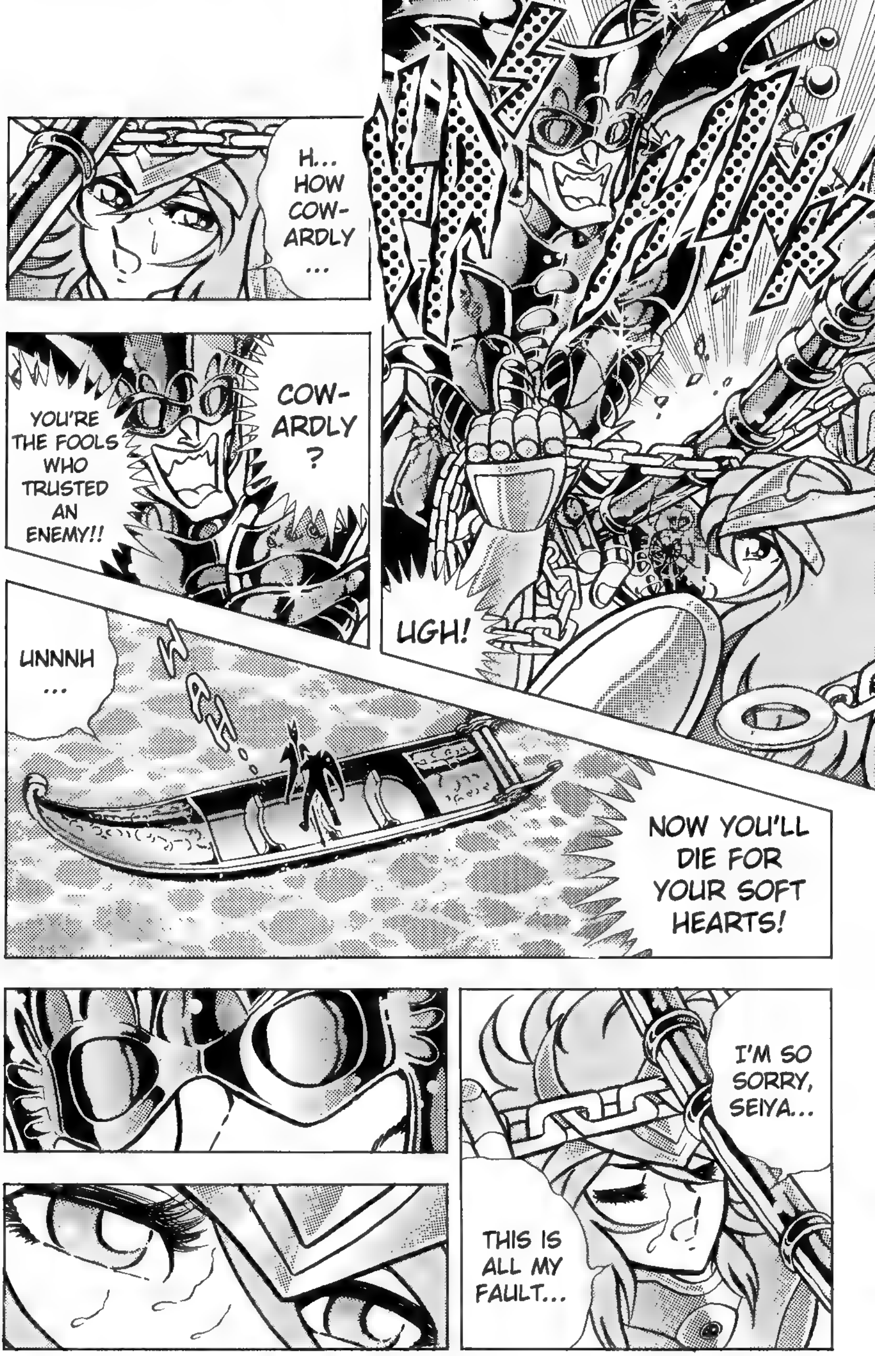
READ THIS WAY
KOFF KOFF
SPLOOSH
WHEW... HEH HEH... THANKS.
ACHERON'S WATERS FREEZE TO THE BONE.
NOW HAND ME MY OAR.
...
WHAT? DON'T YOU NEED TO GET TO THE OTHER SIDE? NOT EVEN I CAN ROW WITHOUT MY OAR.
SEIYA ...
GRR ...
SHISH
FINE! HERE!

HERE'S A LESSON FOR YOU: THERE'S NO KINDNESS IN HELL!
WHAT?
OH!
UGH!

READ THIS WAY
I TOLD YOU SO, SHUN!!
DON'T WORRY, SHUN. I FIGURED HE'D PULL THIS, SO I WAS PREPARED. I'LL NEVER LET GO OF THIS OAR AGAIN.
WITHOUT IT, HE CAN'T ATTACK US.
SEIYA!!
COME ON! YOU OUGHT TO KNOW BETTER THAN THAT!!
HEH HEH HEH... YOU THINK?
WHAT?
LESSON NUMBER TWO: MY ARMS ARE EVEN MORE POWERFUL THAN MY OAR!!
TAKE THIS, BRAT! MY ULTIMATE MOVE!!
OH!
WATCH OUT, SEIYA!!

EDDYING CURRENT CRUSH-ER!!
WAAAH !!

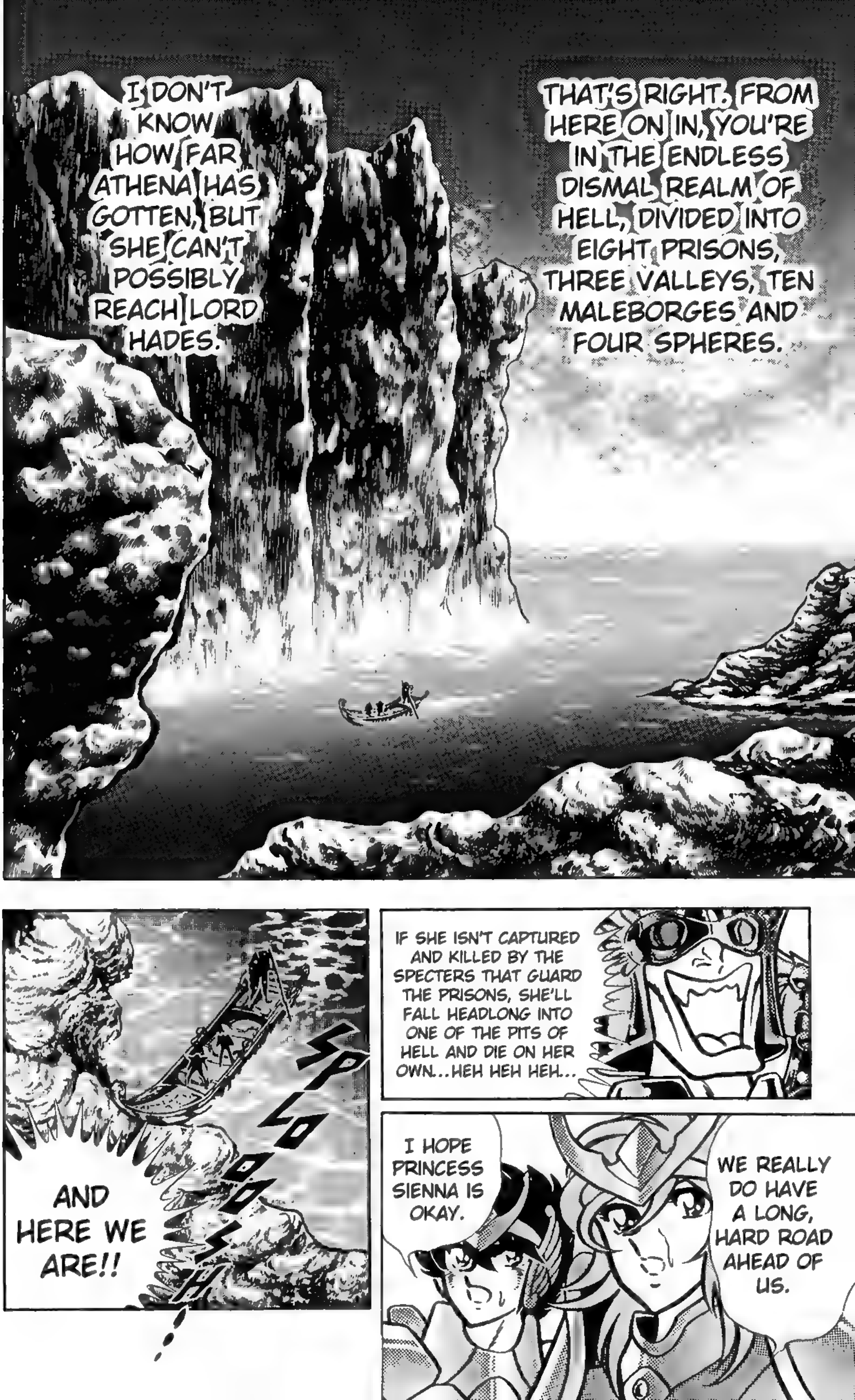
HEY, MR. NICE GUY! BETTER LOOK OUT FOR YOUR OWN SKIN!!
UNH!
SEIYA !!


H... HOW COW-ARDLY ...
COW-ARDLY ?
YOU'RE THE FOOLS WHO TRUSTED AN ENEMY!!
UGH!
UNNNH ...
NOW YOU'LL DIE FOR YOUR SOFT HEARTS!
I'M SO SORRY, SEIYA...
THIS IS ALL MY FAULT...

THE SOULS WHO COME THROUGH HERE PILED UP EVIL DEEDS IN LIFE.
THEY'VE ALL GOT SUNKEN, ROTTED EYES.
HUH ?
FEH... FORGET IT.
WSH
BUT YOU... YOUR EYES ARE DIFFERENT. THEY STILL HAVE TRUST, EVEN THOUGH YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH SO MUCH.
YOU'RE AN ODD BOY, INDEED.
I'VE NEVER MET SOMEONE WITH EYES LIKE YOURS.
PERHAPS YOU'RE ONE OF THOSE WHO GET TO GO TO ELYSIUM WHEN THEY DIE.
ELY-SIUM?
ALSO KNOWN AS PARADISE. IT'S SUPPOSEDLY JUST BEYOND THE RIVER LETHE, UPSTREAM OF THIS RIVER...BUT I'VE NEVER EVEN CAUGHT A GLIMPSE OF IT.
IT MAY BE PART OF THIS UNDER-WORLD, BUT THOSE OF US WHO GUARD HADES CAN NEVER SET FOOT THERE...

UNH...
SEIYA!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
OH... SHUN ...
I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE AWAKE.
YOU'VE GOT YOUR LIFE BACK, BOY, AT LEAST FOR NOW. AND IT'S ALL THANKS TO THE KID WITH THE CHAINS.
WH... WHAT?
I'M TAKING YOU TO THE FAR SHORE.
IT'S TRUE, SEIYA.
HE EVEN RE-TURNED MY PEN-DANT.
WHAT?
HOW? I DON'T BELIEVE IT...

READ THIS WAY


I DON'T KNOW HOW FAR ATHENA HAS GOTTEN, BUT SHE CAN'T POSSIBLY REACH LORD HADES.
THAT'S RIGHT. FROM HERE ON IN, YOU'RE IN THE ENDLESS DISMAL REALM OF HELL, DIVIDED INTO EIGHT PRISONS, THREE VALLEYS, TEN MALEBORGES AND FOUR SPHERES.
AND HERE WE ARE!!
SPLOOOSH!
IF SHE ISN'T CAPTURED AND KILLED BY THE SPECTERS THAT GUARD THE PRISONS, SHE'LL FALL HEADLONG INTO ONE OF THE PITS OF HELL AND DIE ON HER OWN...HEH HEH HEH...
I HOPE PRINCESS SIENNA IS OKAY.
WE REALLY DO HAVE A LONG, HARD ROAD AHEAD OF US.

READ THIS WAY

I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW, I'VE SEEN ALL YOUR MOVES. YOU CAN'T LAND A MORTAL BLOW ON ME.
THUMP
THUMP
HEH...I'LL *KILL* YOU THIS TIME, BOY.
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
SEIYA ...

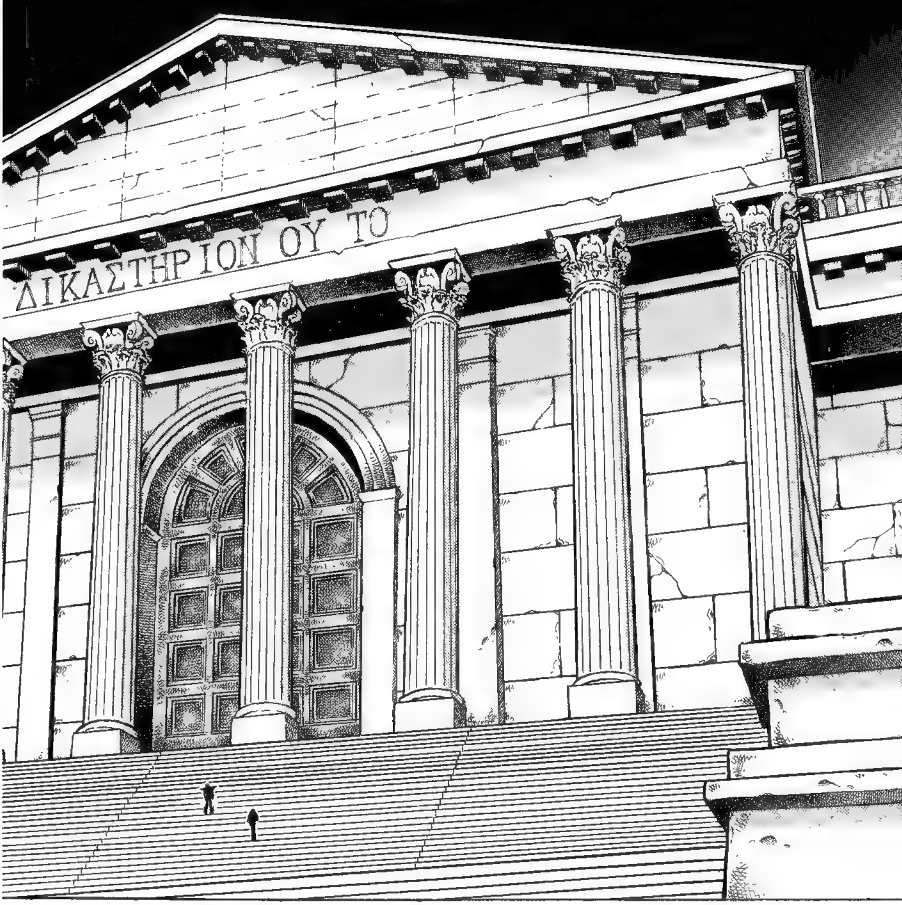
DIE, KID!!
EDDYING CURRENT CRUSH-ER!!
PEGASUS METEOR PUNCH!!
ARGH!!
SEIYA!!

HEH HEH HEH HEH...
HEH ...
KACHING
KACHING
KACHING
KACHING
COME TO THINK OF IT, YOU DID TELL ME...
...THE SAME MOVE WOULDN'T WORK AGAINST YOU TWICE.
HEH HEH HEH HEH...
DARN THE LUCK...I GUESS YOU WERE RIGHT...

READ THIS WAY
SEIYA !!
I...I'M ALL RIGHT. I'VE JUST GOT A FEW SCRATCHES.
I AM THE FERRYMAN OF HELL...
YEAH... YEAH...
...YEAH...
LET'S MOVE ON, SHUN.
YEAH ...

THE HUSHED
COURT

READ THIS WAY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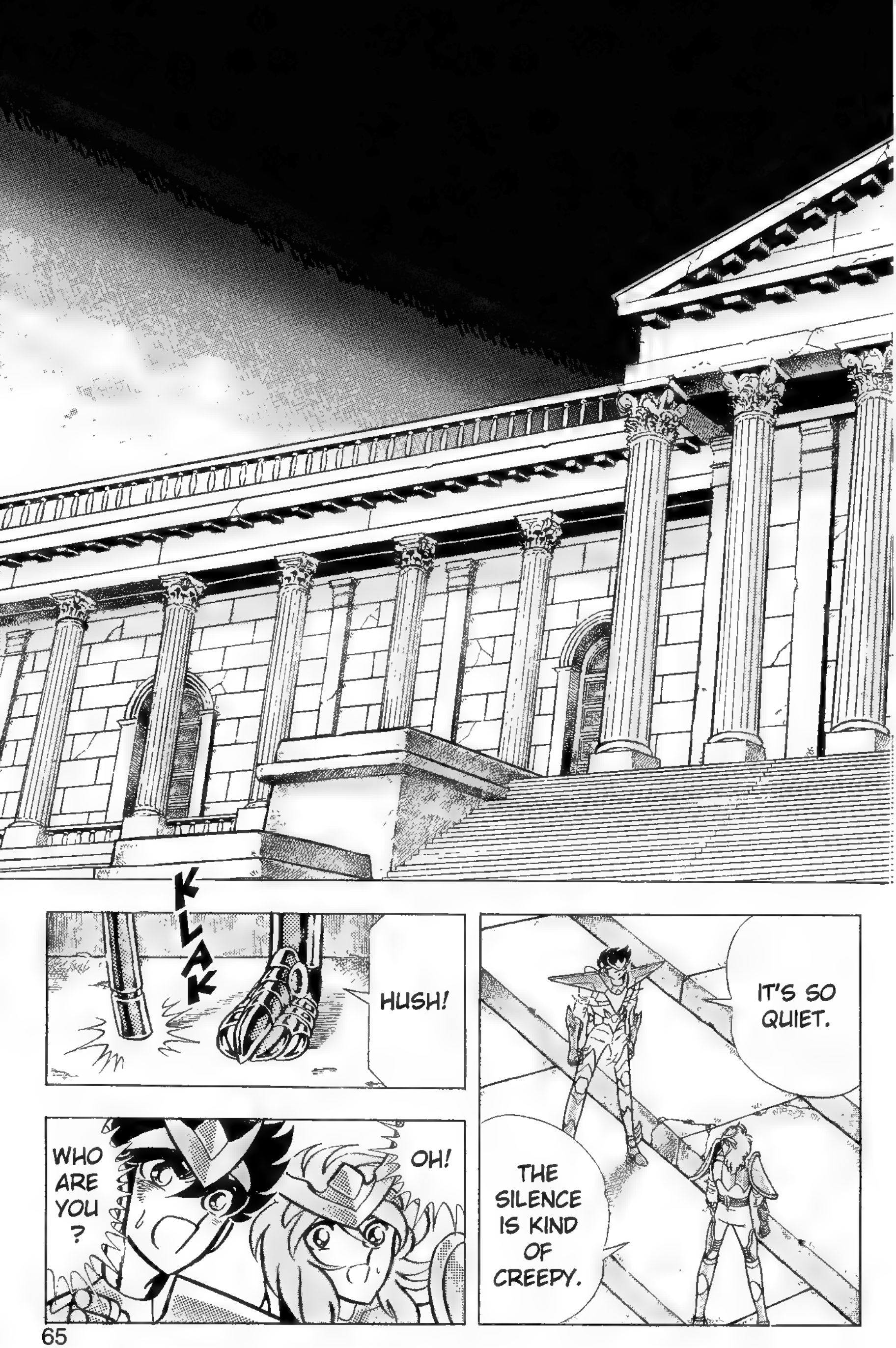
IT SAYS... "HALL OF JUDG-MENT."
HUH...I WONDER WHAT THEY *JUDGE.*


KLAK
HUSH!
IT'S SO QUIET.
THE SILENCE IS KIND OF CREEPY.
OH!
WHO ARE YOU ?

SHH... QUIET!
THE SLIGHTEST WHISPER IS FORBIDDEN HERE.
AND TRY NOT TO MAKE ANY NOISE WHEN YOU WALK. NO LOUD BREATHING, EITHER.
AND NO FARTING!
OTHERWISE, I GUARANTEE YOU WON'T LIKE WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO YOU.
OH? AND WHAT'S THAT?
SHH! SHH!
I TOLD YOU, SHUT UP!
THIS IS THE HALL OF JUDGMENT, WHERE STILLNESS IS REVERED. LORD RENÉ, WHO PRESIDES HERE IN PROXY OF LORD MINOS, HATES NOISE.
JUST RECENTLY, A DEPARTED SOUL WAS SLICED TO BITS BEFORE HE WAS EVEN JUDGED, ALL BECAUSE OF A SINGLE SNEEZE!

READ THIS WAY
SO BE CAREFUL, LEST YOU END UP THE SAME.
NOW COME THIS WAY.
AH...
AH...
AH...
ACHOO!!
WHOA!!
Y...
Y...
YOU FOOLS! WHAT DID I TELL YOU? THAT SNEEZE COULD BE YOUR DOOM!
HEH... YOU OKAY, SEIYA?
SNORT
I THINK I PICKED UP A COLD FROM BEING DUNKED IN THE ACHERON.

CAN IT, MARTIAN.
WHAT?
CAN YOU HURRY UP AND TAKE US TO THIS RENÉ GUY?
POK
YOU'RE THE NOISIEST ONE HERE.
H...
H...
H...
HOW DARE YOU!!
LISTEN, PIPSQUEAKS!! I'VE BEEN GUIDING THE DEAD THROUGH THIS COURT IN SILENCE FOR AGES!!
HOW DARE YOU CALL ME NOISY?
AND WHY AREN'T YOU QUAKING WITH FEAR LIKE MOST SOULS? AREN'T YOU WONDERING WHAT YOUR SENTENCE WILL BE?

SHAAAA
hff
hff
pff
HA HA HA...
GEEZ, MY EARS!
OOPS !!
OH, NO NO NO!
OH, NO!
ENOUGH. JUST COME ALONG.
I BET IT FELT GOOD TO LET IT ALL OUT, HUH?
LISTEN CLOSELY. ONCE WE ENTER THE COURT AND LORD RENÉ APPEARS, JUST HONESTLY CONFESS YOUR WORLDLY SINS.
THERE'S NO USE HIDING ANYTHING. EVERYTHING YOU'VE EVER DONE IS RECORDED IN THE LEDGER OF SOULS.

SHUN, YOU JUST FARTED, DIDN'T YOU?
IT WASN'T ME!
FLAP FLAP
UGH!
IT REALLY STINKS!
BRAAAP
D... DON'T TELL ME...
...O... ONE OF YOU JUST ...
SHUT UP!!
OKAY, OKAY! IT WAS ME! SORRY !!
HEH HEH... HE WHO DENIED IT...
SI-LENCE !!

YEEEK
AIEE!!
WHOA!
MARQUINO, HOW OFTEN MUST I REMIND YOU TO OBSERVE SILENCE IN THE COURT?
Y-YES, SIR...PLEASE FORGIVE ME, LORD RENÉ!
RENÉ!!
THE SPECTER WHO GUARDS THE FIRST PRISON!!

I COULD HEAR THE CLAMOR EVEN FROM MY CHAMBERS.
THAT VULGAR SNEEZE, THEN UNINTELLIGIBLE SCREECHING, AND, FINALLY, THE MOST SORDID ACT EVER TO DEFILE THIS SACRED PLACE...
PLEASE, SIR!!
I WASN'T THE ONE WHO PASSED GAS...
SI-LENCE!!

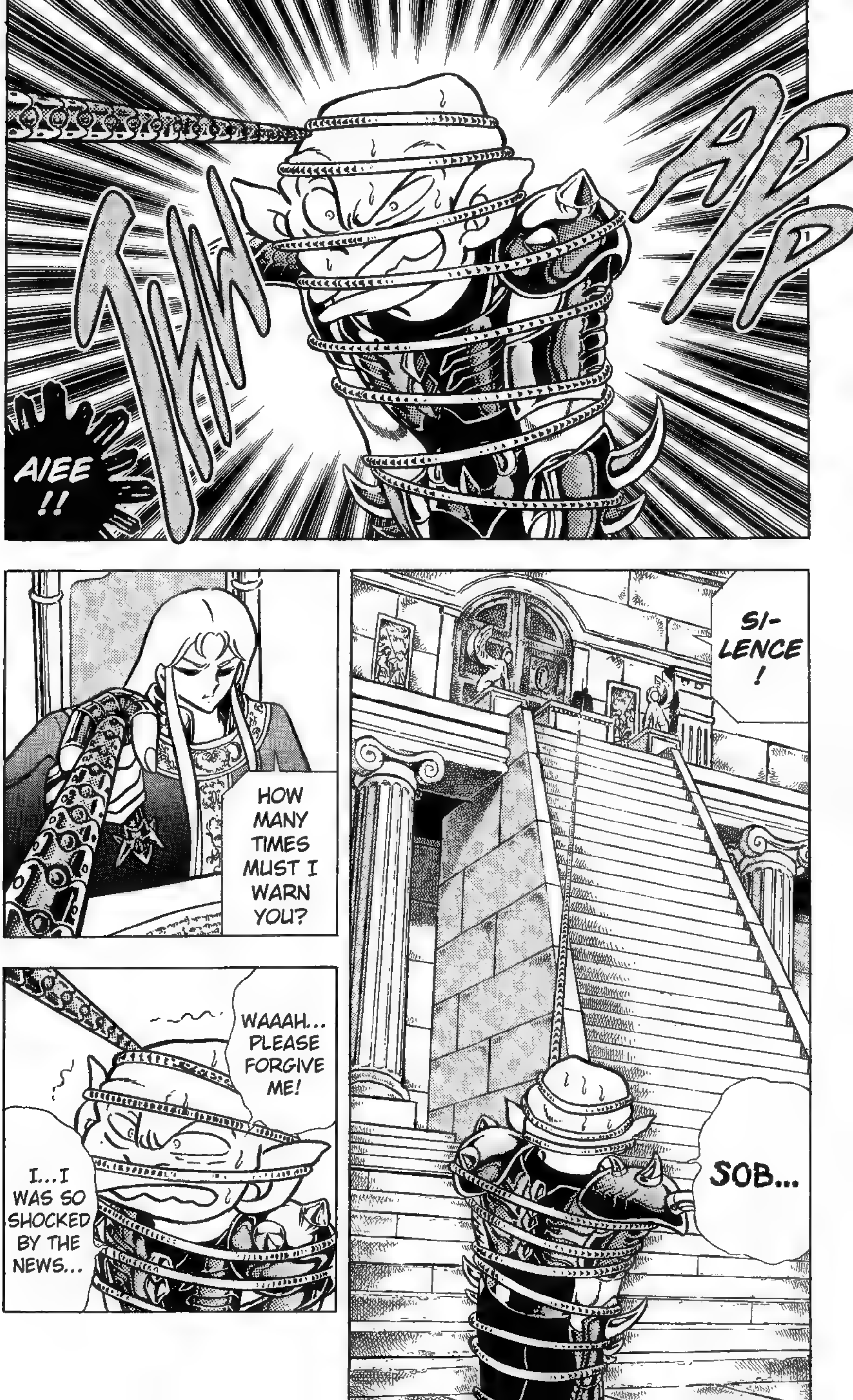
ENOUGH. DIS-MISSED.
IF YOU EVER RAISE YOUR COARSE VOICE AGAIN, YOUR LIFE WILL BE FORFEIT.
YIPE
AIEE!
Y...
YES, SIR. I'M SORRY.
B... BUT...
...IT REALLY WASN'T MY FART...
HEH...
NOW, THEN. I AM CELESTIAL EMINENT STAR, BALRON RENÉ...
...THE CURRENT HEAD OF THE COURT OF HADES, IN PLACE OF LORD MINOS.

I SHALL INVESTIGATE THE SINS YOU COMMITTED WHILE ALIVE AND SENTENCE YOU TO THE APPROPRIATE HELL BASED ON THEIR GRAVITY.
PLEASE STATE YOUR NAMES AND HONESTLY RECOUNT YOUR SINS.
I AM SHUN.
I'M SEIYA.
JUST SO YOU KNOW, WE HAVEN'T COMMITTED ANY BIG SINS.
QUIET !!
PLEASE SPEAK WITH HUSHED VOICES.

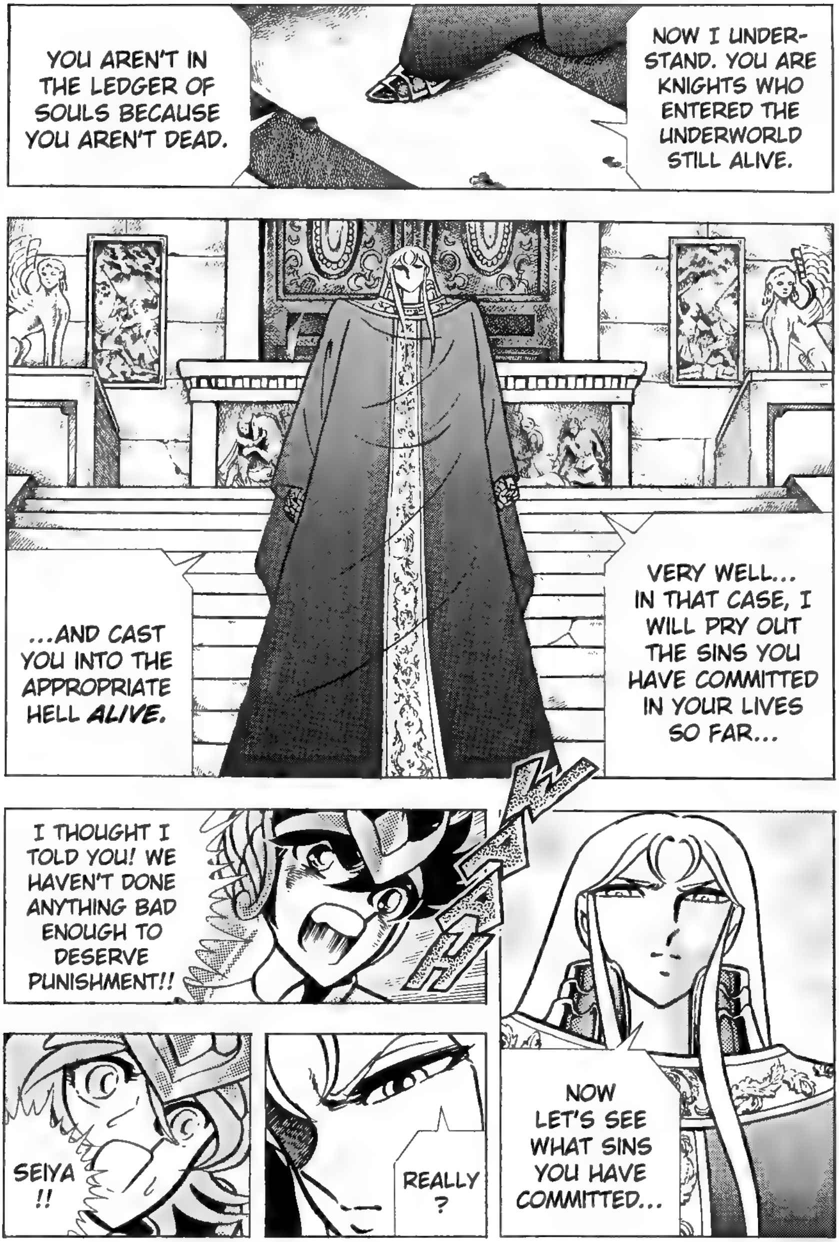
READ THIS WAY

I'M ATHENA'S KNIGHT, PEGASUS SEIYA!!
THIS IS MY FELLOW KNIGHT, ANDROMEDA SHUN!!
WE CAME HERE TO HELP ATHENA TAKE HADES DOWN!!
GOT THAT, MISTER?

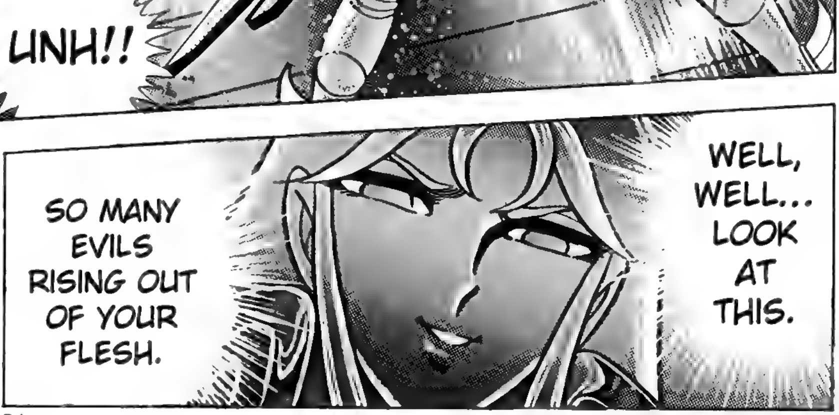
READ THIS WAY
AH...
AH...
AH...
I SEE...
L... LORD RENÉ! TER-RIBLE NEWS!!
WE'VE JUST HAD WORD THAT ATHENA'S KNIGHTS HAVE FORDED THE RIVER ACHERON AND INFILTRATED THE FIRST PRISON!!


AIEE !!
ZWIP
ARRP
HOW MANY TIMES MUST I WARN YOU?
SI-LENCE !
WAAAH... PLEASE FORGIVE ME!
I...I WAS SO SHOCKED BY THE NEWS...
SOB...

SWOOSH
LOOK AT THE MARKS THE WHIP LEFT!
UNH!
I...I...I SWEAR... NEVER AGAIN...
AH...
SPURT
AH...
SPURT
AH...
SPURT
AAH...
AAAH!!


NOW I UNDERSTAND. YOU ARE KNIGHTS WHO ENTERED THE UNDERWORLD STILL ALIVE.
YOU AREN'T IN THE LEDGER OF SOULS BECAUSE YOU AREN'T DEAD.
VERY WELL... IN THAT CASE, I WILL PRY OUT THE SINS YOU HAVE COMMITTED IN YOUR LIVES SO FAR...
...AND CAST YOU INTO THE APPROPRIATE HELL ALIVE.
I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU! WE HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING BAD ENOUGH TO DESERVE PUNISHMENT!!
NOW LET'S SEE WHAT SINS YOU HAVE COMMITTED...
REALLY?
SEIYA!!

REIN-
CARNA-
TION!!
UNH!!

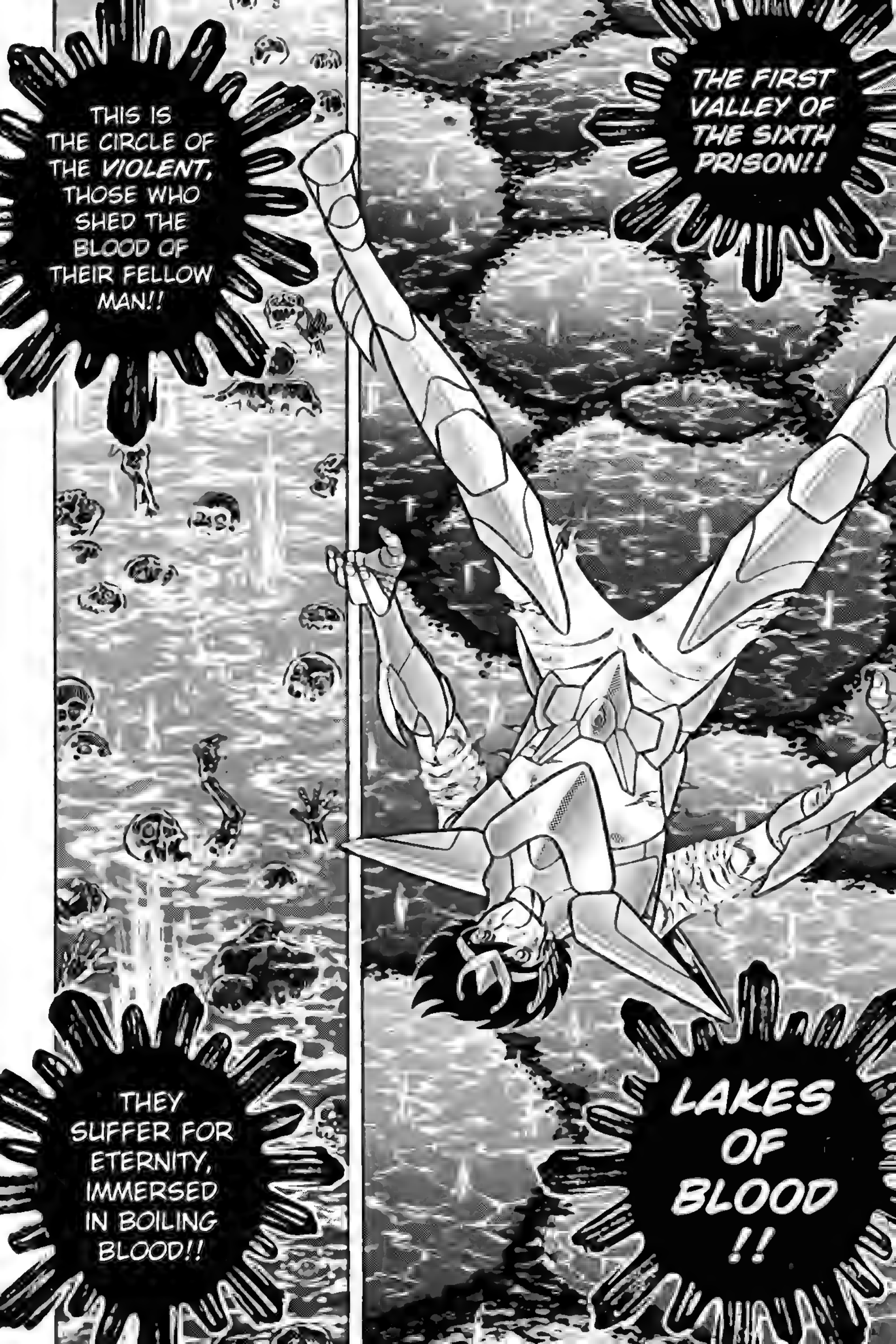

WELL, WELL... LOOK AT THIS.
SO MANY EVILS RISING OUT OF YOUR FLESH.

HUH? THESE ARE SCENES FROM MY CHILDHOOD...
...AND THOUGHTLESSLY PULLED UP GRASS AND FLOWERS...
...LIKE WHEN I KILLED THAT BEETLE FOR FUN...
...AND BULLIED KIDS AND MADE THAT GIRL CRY...
THAT ONE TIME I KILLED A BIRD WITH A ROCK...
THE TIME I WENT FISHING...
THE TIME I BEAT UP MY FRIENDS...
THERE'S STILL MORE...
...LIKE THAT...
...AND THAT...

DOOM
WELL? CAN YOU STILL SAY YOU HAVE NOT DONE ANY EVIL?
ER... UH... BUT...
YOU'VE ALSO LED A SEVERELY VIOLENT LIFE.
DOOM
YOUR MOST SERIOUS SIN HAS BEEN INJURING COUNTLESS PEOPLE!!

NO WAY! YEAH, I'VE DEFEATED A LOT OF ENEMIES...
...BUT IT'S ALL BEEN IN THE NAME OF JUSTICE!
DOOOOOM
HUBRIS!
HOW CAN YOU, A MERE MORTAL, PRESUME TO PASS JUDGMENT ON OTHERS?
THERE IS A HELL PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LIVED LIVES STEEPED IN VIOLENCE AND BLOODSHED.
THERE, YOU WILL WRITHE IN AGONY FOR ALL ETERNITY.

NOW BEGONE, TO THE FIRST VALLEY OF THE SIXTH PRISON!!
SEIYA !!
NOOO!!!


THE FIRST VALLEY OF THE SIXTH PRISON!!
LAKES OF BLOOD !!
THIS IS THE CIRCLE OF THE *VIOLENT*, THOSE WHO SHED THE BLOOD OF THEIR FELLOW MAN!!
THEY SUFFER FOR ETERNITY, IMMERSED IN BOILING BLOOD!!

THWAP
ATONE FOR YOUR SINS AS YOUR SKIN BROILS AND YOUR FLESH MELTS OFF YOUR BONES!!
WAAAH !!

WHAT ?
HOW DID YOU MANAGE TO CROSS EXTRA-DIMENSIONAL SPACE AND RETRIEVE PEGASUS?
WHAT ARE THOSE CHAINS?
THESE ANDOMEDA CHAINS CAN FLY ACROSS SEVERAL LIGHT YEARS.
hff
hff
I WON'T LET YOU THROW SEIYA INTO HELL!
pff

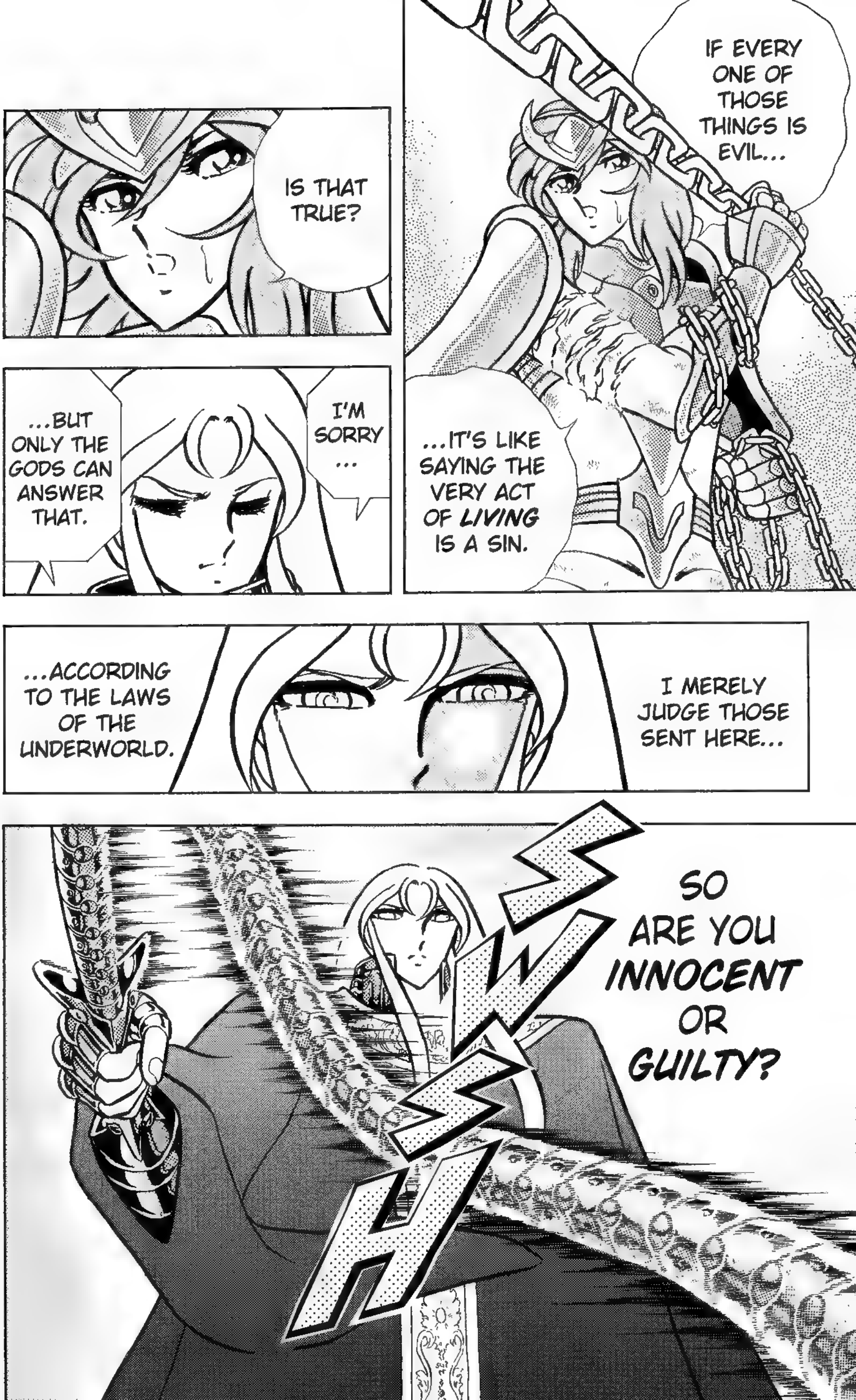
AH...
AH...
UNH !!
NO...I DON'T BELIEVE IT...

THIS CANNOT BE!!
NO...WHEN I LOOK CLOSER, YOUR HAIR IS DIFFERENT...YOU ARE NOT HE...
BESIDES, WHY WOULD HE APPEAR HERE?
HUH?
BUT WHAT AN EERIE RESEMBLANCE.
HE'S THE SPITTING IMAGE!

THE BALRON WHIP SHALL MEASURE THE GRAVITY OF YOUR SINS!!
ANDROM-EDA, WAS IT?
IT SEEMS YOU, LIKE PEGASUS, HAVE SHED MUCH BLOOD.
UNH ...
I SEE YOU DON'T DENY IT.
NO EX-CUSES.
B... BUT THAT'S NOT...

HINK
UGH...
KRIK
I KNOW WE'VE HURT A LOT OF PEOPLE... EVEN IF IT WAS IN THE NAME OF JUSTICE.
I'LL WILLINGLY ACCEPT PUNISH-MENT FOR MY SINS AFTER I DIE.
BUT I WONDER IF IT'S POSSIBLE FOR *ANY* HUMAN TO LIVE WITHOUT SINNING.
WHAT?

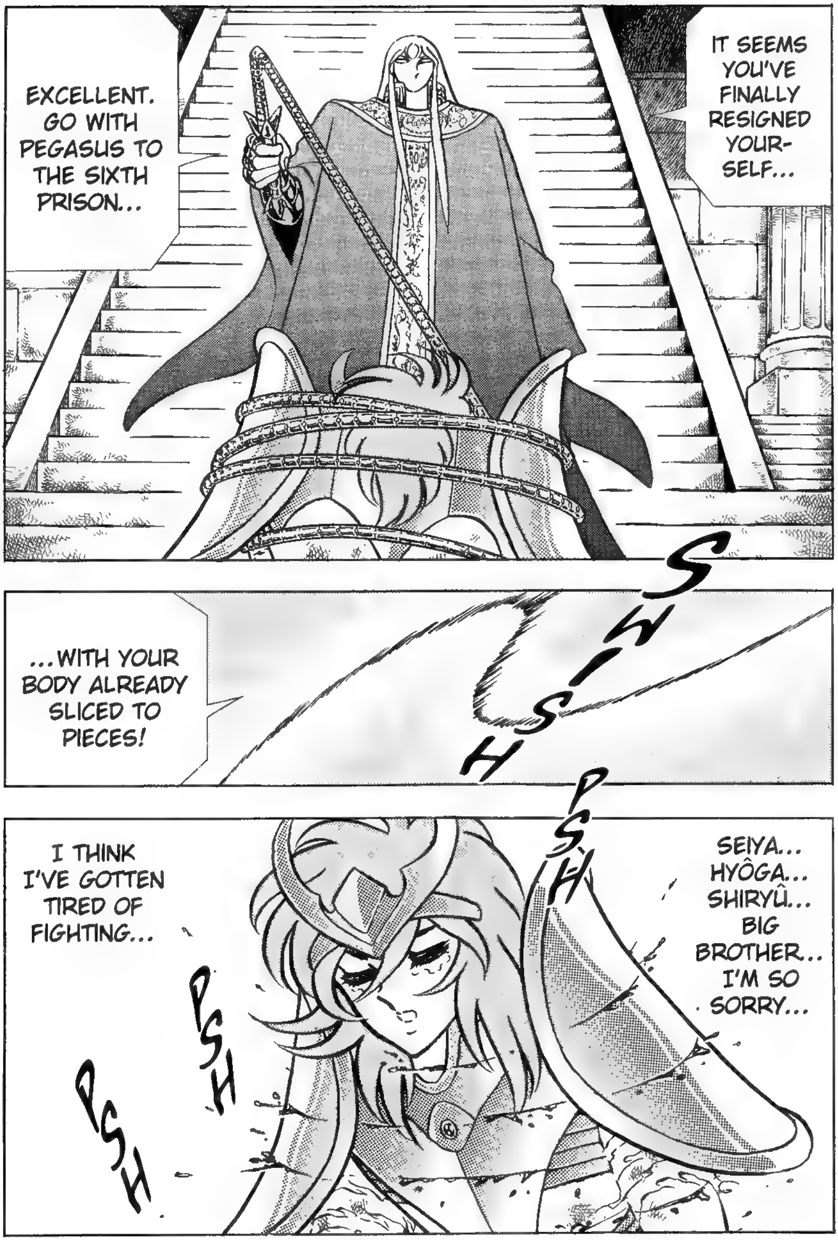
KRIK
KRIK
HO! SO YOU DISPUTE YOUR JUDGMENT AS WELL?
EVEN THE MOST PURE AND VIRTUOUS PERSON MUST KILL ANIMALS FOR FOOD...PICK FLOWERS...AND KILL INSECTS.
AND EVERYONE SOMETIMES HAS FEELINGS OF HATE AND ENVY.


IF EVERY ONE OF THOSE THINGS IS EVIL...
...IT'S LIKE SAYING THE VERY ACT OF *LIVING* IS A SIN.
IS THAT TRUE?
I'M SORRY...
...BUT ONLY THE GODS CAN ANSWER THAT.
I MERELY JUDGE THOSE SENT HERE...
...ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF THE UNDERWORLD.
SO ARE YOU *INNOCENT* OR *GUILTY?*

ALL I KNOW IS THAT IF YOU'VE COME TO THIS COURT, YOU CANNOT BE INNOCENT!!
FIRE WHIP!!
WHOA!
ROLLING DE-FENSE!!

IT'S USE-LESS!!
NOTHING CAN DEFEND AGAINST THE WHIP OF JUDGMENT!!
UNH!

READ THIS WAY


IT SEEMS YOU'VE FINALLY RESIGNED YOURSELF...
EXCELLENT. GO WITH PEGASUS TO THE SIXTH PRISON...
SWISH
...WITH YOUR BODY ALREADY SLICED TO PIECES!
PSH
SEIYA... HYÔGA... SHIRYÛ... BIG BROTHER... I'M SO SORRY...
I THINK I'VE GOTTEN TIRED OF FIGHTING...
PSH
PSH

SPLAT
SQUELCH
THUD
SQUELCH
SQUELCH

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, IT *IS* A PITY.
ALTHOUGH THEY WERE MY ENEMIES, THEY HAD PURE HEARTS.

READ THIS WAY

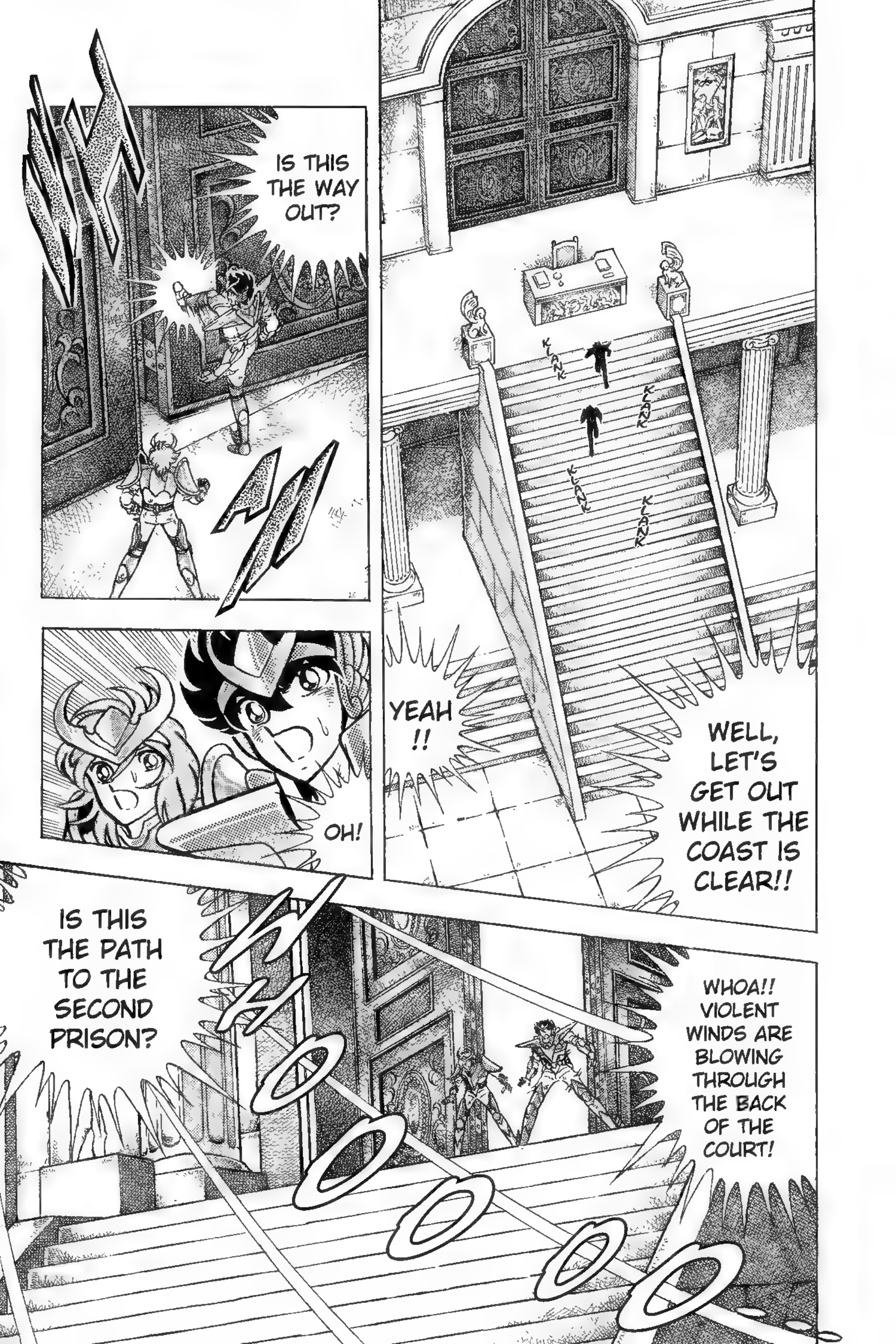
RENÉ !!
HOW DARE YOU BEHEAD ME?
WHAT ?
M...M... MILORD!
THEN I WAS RIGHT!!

FOOL!! RETURN MY HEAD TO MY BODY AT ONCE!!
Y...YES, MILORD !!
TH... THE BODY ...
ARRGH !
YOUR BODY HAS DISAP-PEARED, MILORD!!
NO !!
WHERE IS IT? WHERE IS HIS BODY?

WHOOOOOOO
I'VE COMMITTED AN ABOMINABLE SIN!!
IT'S BEEN BLOWN AWAY BY THE SQUALLS OF THE BLACK VALLEY THAT CONNECTS TO THE SECOND PRISON!!
RRIP
I CAN'T BELIEVE I TOOK HIS HEAD!!
NOOOOO!!
SOMEONE PLEASE HELP ME FIND HIS BODY!!

READ THIS WAY
AIEE!
WHAT'S THE MATTER, RENÉ?
LORD RHADA-MANTHYS!!
P... PLEASE ...
...HE'S BEEN BEHEADED !!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
WHAT ?
UNH !!
WHAT'S GOING ON?

UGH... SHUN ...
SEIYA, HANG IN THERE!!
SEIYA !!
HE'S GONE!
TH...THE ENEMY...WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT SPECTER?
WHOOOOOOO-
HUH...I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED.
I THOUGHT WE WERE DONE FOR, BUT WHEN I CAME TO, I WAS FINE.


KLANK
KLANK
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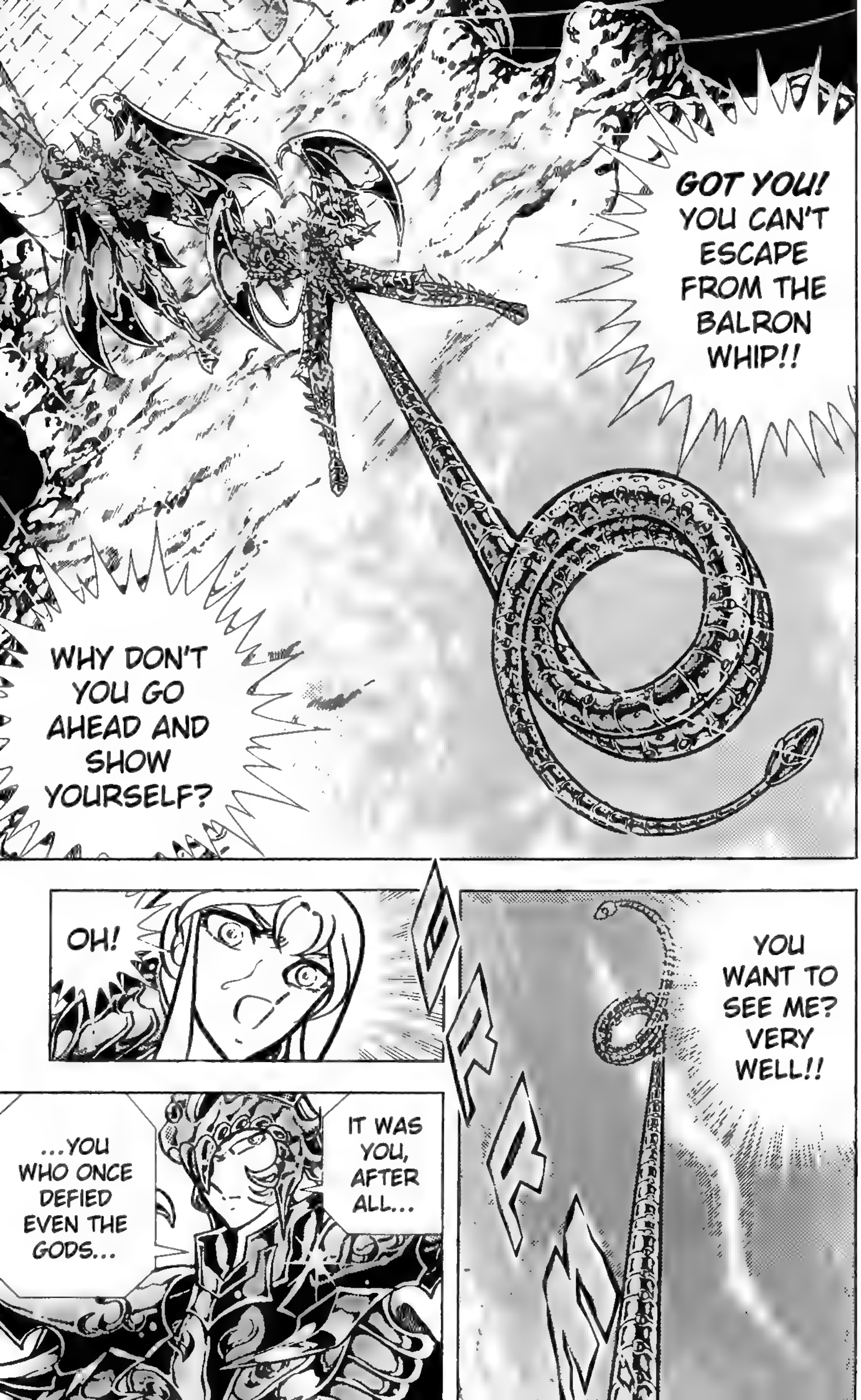
KLANK
WELL, LET'S GET OUT WHILE THE COAST IS CLEAR!!
YEAH!!
IS THIS THE WAY OUT?
OH!
WHOA!! VIOLENT WINDS ARE BLOWING THROUGH THE BACK OF THE COURT!
IS THIS THE PATH TO THE SECOND PRISON?
WHOOOOOOO

TO BATTLE!
THE CANON CHAPTER
WHOOOOOOOOO
TH...
THIS...
CLATTER
DOES THAT MEAN IT WAS ALL AN ILLUSION?
THIS IS MY OWN HELMET ...
GRR...THAT CRAFTY ANDROMEDA ...
NO, A MERE BRONZE KNIGHT COULDN'T HAVE THE POWER TO FOG THE MIND OF A POWERFUL SPECTER.

...SOMEONE HAD ALREADY STRUCK BEFORE I LASHED MY WHIP AT ANDROMEDA!
NO... BUT THAT MEANS...
COULD IT HAVE BEEN LIBRA DÔKO?
NO...I FELT THIS MAN'S COSMO BACK AT CASTLE HADES...
...BUT IT FEELS MUCH YOUNGER THAN LIBRA, AND UNFATHOMABLY POWERFUL.
WHOOOOOOOO
THEN WHAT ...?
I SUSPECT A MUCH MORE FORMIDABLE FOE HAS INFILTRATED THE UNDER-WORLD.
UNH!
HMM!
THEN WHO IS IT?
WHO COULD IT BE?
HE'S HERE. OUR FOE IS NEARBY!!

THE NERVE OF HIM...TO TOY WITH US HERE, DEEP IN THE UNDER-WORLD!
WHOOOOOOOOOO
HOW DARE HE?
ZWSSH
OVER THERE !!
THWHAP

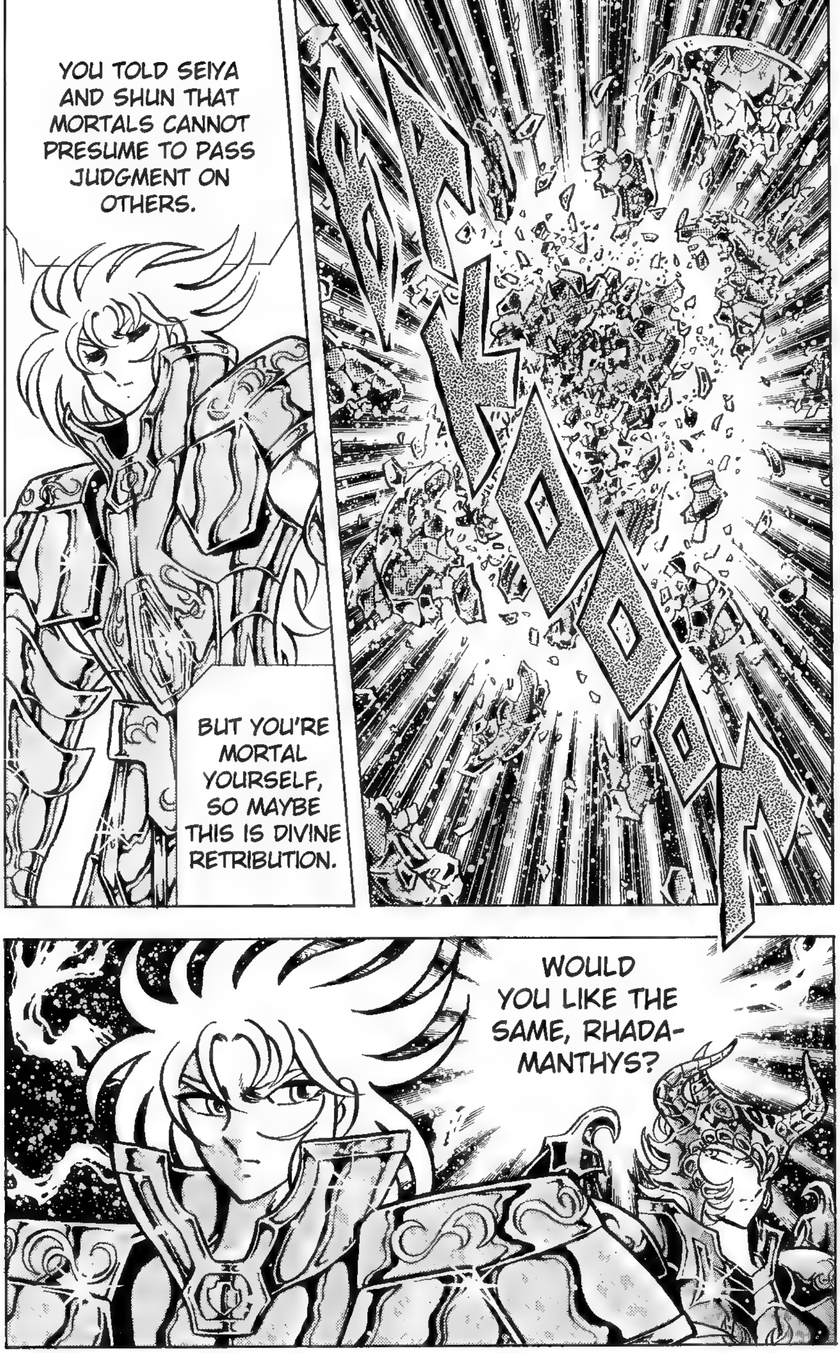


GOT YOU! YOU CAN'T ESCAPE FROM THE BALRON WHIP!!
WHY DON'T YOU GO AHEAD AND SHOW YOURSELF?
YOU WANT TO SEE ME? VERY WELL!!
OH!
IT WAS YOU, AFTER ALL...
...YOU WHO ONCE DEFIED EVEN THE GODS...

... GEMINI CANON !!

I WAS HOPING RENÉ WOULD LEAD ME STRAIGHT TO HADES UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF MY PHANTOM DEMON ATTACK. TOO BAD YOU INTERFERED.
GRR ...
WELL, NEVER MIND. MAYBE *YOU* CAN HELP ME, RHADA-MANTHYS.
WHAT?
FOOL! YOU'RE ABOUT TO BE SHREDDED TO PIECES!
JAB
SHRED-DED?
NOT ME.

WH... WHAT THE...
MY WHIP'S BEING PULVER-IZED!!
UNH !!
AND NOT JUST MY WHIP!!
NO... MY BODY, TOO...
WAAH !!


YOU TOLD SEIYA AND SHUN THAT MORTALS CANNOT PRESUME TO PASS JUDGMENT ON OTHERS.
BUT YOU'RE MORTAL YOURSELF, SO MAYBE THIS IS DIVINE RETRIBUTION.
WOULD YOU LIKE THE SAME, RHADA-MANTHYS?

OR...
...WILL YOU LEAD ME TO HADES?
...NOT TO MY LORD, BUT TO HELL!!
FWASH
I'LL LEAD YOU...
WHOOOOOOOOOOOO
UNH!!
CRUNCH

READ THIS WAY
WOW, I FEEL LIGHT...IT SEEMS HADES'S SHIELD DOESN'T EXTEND TO THE UNDERWORLD.
OF COURSE NOT.
ONLY DEAD SOULS COME HERE. THERE USUALLY ISN'T ANY NEED TO RAISE A SHIELD.
THEN YOU WON'T FIND THIS AS EASY AS WHEN YOU FOUGHT MIRO AND AIORIA BACK AT CASTLE HADES.
WHAT?
YOU THINK I WAS ABLE TO TAKE DOWN MÛ AND THE OTHERS BECAUSE OF THE SHIELD?
HEH... THERE'S NO OTHER WAY TO EXPLAIN HOW THEY WERE SO EASILY DEFEATED.
LET ME SHOW YOU A GOLD KNIGHT'S TRUE STRENGTH!!

CRUNCH
CANON !!
IT *IS* YOU! THANK THE GODS!
I'M GLAD TO KNOW A KNIGHT OF YOUR CALIBER IS ON OUR SIDE!
YOUR SIDE?
WHEN DID I SAY I WAS JOINING FORCES WITH YOU?
BUT I THOUGHT YOU REPENTED AND PLEDGED FEALTY TO ATHENA...
HUH?

I DID INDEED SWEAR FEALTY TO ATHENA...
...BUT I DON'T REMEMBER BECOMING *YOUR ALLY.*
UNH!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, CANON?
WH... WHAT?

SHING
UNH...
C... CANON ...
SENTI-MENTAL CHILDREN LIKE YOU WOULD JUST GET IN MY WAY.
HOW CAN YOU WHINE ABOUT BEING TIRED OF FIGHTING?
WHEN YOUR ENEMY IS IN FRONT OF YOU, ATTACK!
IF YOU DON'T DEFEAT HIM...
...HE'LL GO ON TO HURT EVEN *MORE* INNO-CENTS.

CANON ...
HEH...NOT THAT I'VE GOT ANY RIGHT TO TALK...
...SINCE I WAS ONCE ONE OF THOSE EVIL-DOERS.
BUT IF HURTING OTHERS, EVEN THOSE WHO DO EVIL, IS A CRIME...
...THEN I'LL ACCEPT THE GODS' JUDGMENT AFTER I'VE RID THIS WORLD OF ALL EVIL! UNTIL THEN, I'LL KEEP FIGHTING!!
CANON ...
NOW, IF YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT I'M SAYING, GET OUT OF HERE!!
HUH?

CANON! WATCH OUT FOR RHADA-MANTHYS!! WE DIDN'T...
STOP LOITERING! YOU HAVE A DELIVERY TO MAKE TO ATHENA!
BUT...
COME ON!
ALL RIGHT! WE'RE OFF, CANON!!
SHOOOM
WHAT A JOKE! THE IDEA THAT THE MAN WHO ONCE TRIFLED WITH POSEIDON WOULD TRY TO LECTURE THOSE KNIGHTS!

DOOSH
NOW SHOW ME THAT STRENGTH YOU BRAGGED ABOUT!!
UNH !!
ZAP
THERE'S NOWHERE TO ESCAPE, HERE IN THE BLACK VALLEY!!
YOU'LL TAKE MY PUNCHES OR FALL INTO THE ABYSS!!
ZAP
ZAP

TAKE THIS!! GREAT-EST CAUTION!!

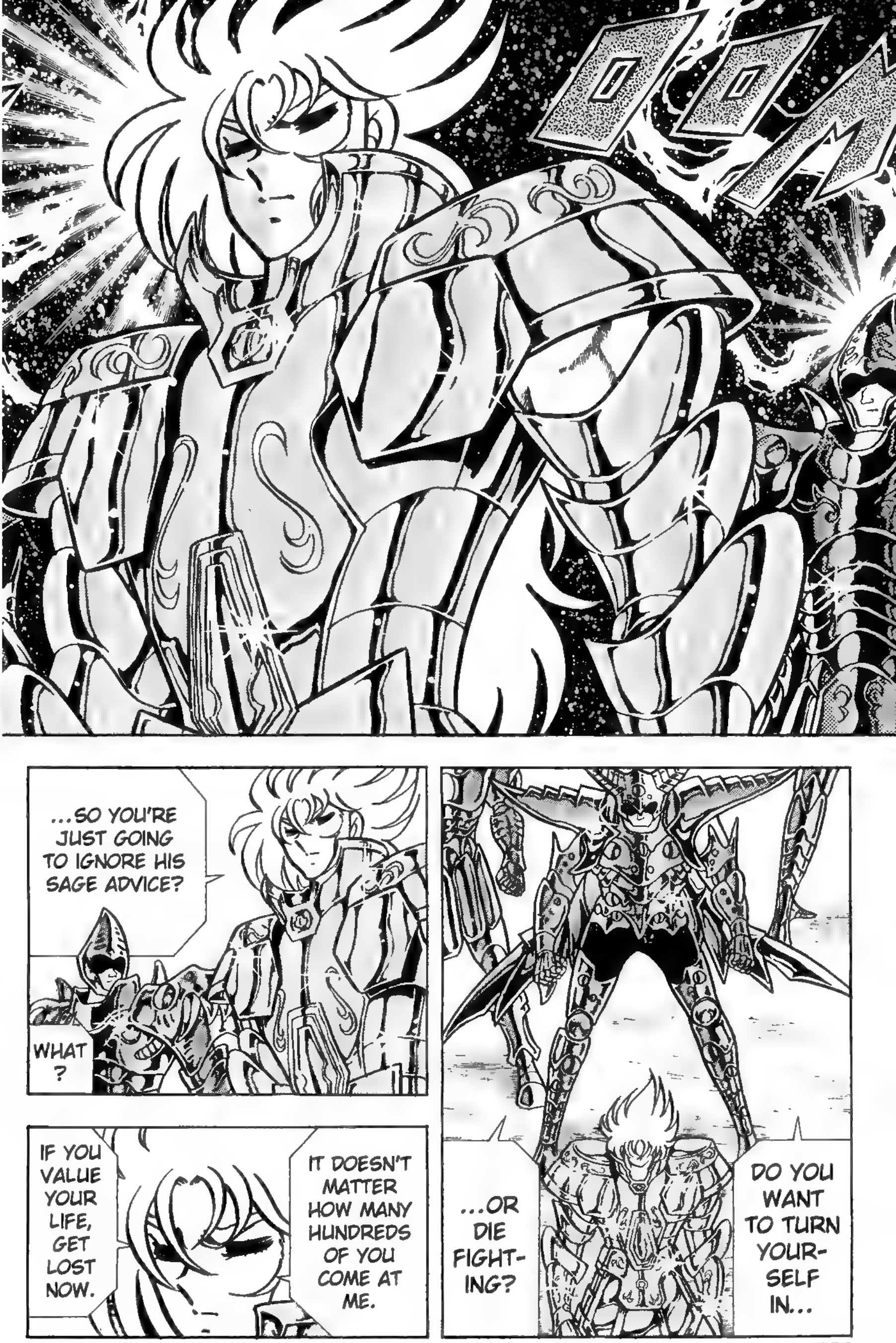
VAM
GAH!!
I...IMPRESSIVE. YOU REALLY ARE ONE OF THE THREE GENERALS, SAID TO BE THE STRONGEST OF THE 108 SPECTERS...
...WYVERN RHADA-MANTHYS ...
YOU'VE REALIZED THAT A LITTLE TOO LATE!!
DIE, CANON!!

SPLISH
WHAT WAS THAT? I...I CAN'T MOVE...
WHAT?
TO BE RELEASED FROM ITS SPELL, YOU MUST CARRY OUT MY ORDER TO KILL.
WHA...
TUP
THE PHANTOM DEMON ATTACK I PLACED ON RENÉ MERELY SHOWED HIM AN ILLUSION...
...BUT THE FULL PHANTOM DEMON EMPEROR ATTACK IS MUCH MORE FEARSOME.
NOW, WHY DON'T YOU LEAD ME TO HADES?

WHOOOOOOOOOO
NO...YOU THINK YOU CAN MAKE ME KILL LORD HADES?
HEH...THAT WOULD SAVE ME THE TROUBLE.
NO ...
BUT DON'T WORRY. THE BLOW I GAVE YOU WILL JUST PARALYZE YOU FOR A FEW SECONDS.
NOW TAKE THIS !!
JAB
SO HERE COMES THE ACTUAL PHANTOM DEMON EMPEROR ATTACK!!
NO !!

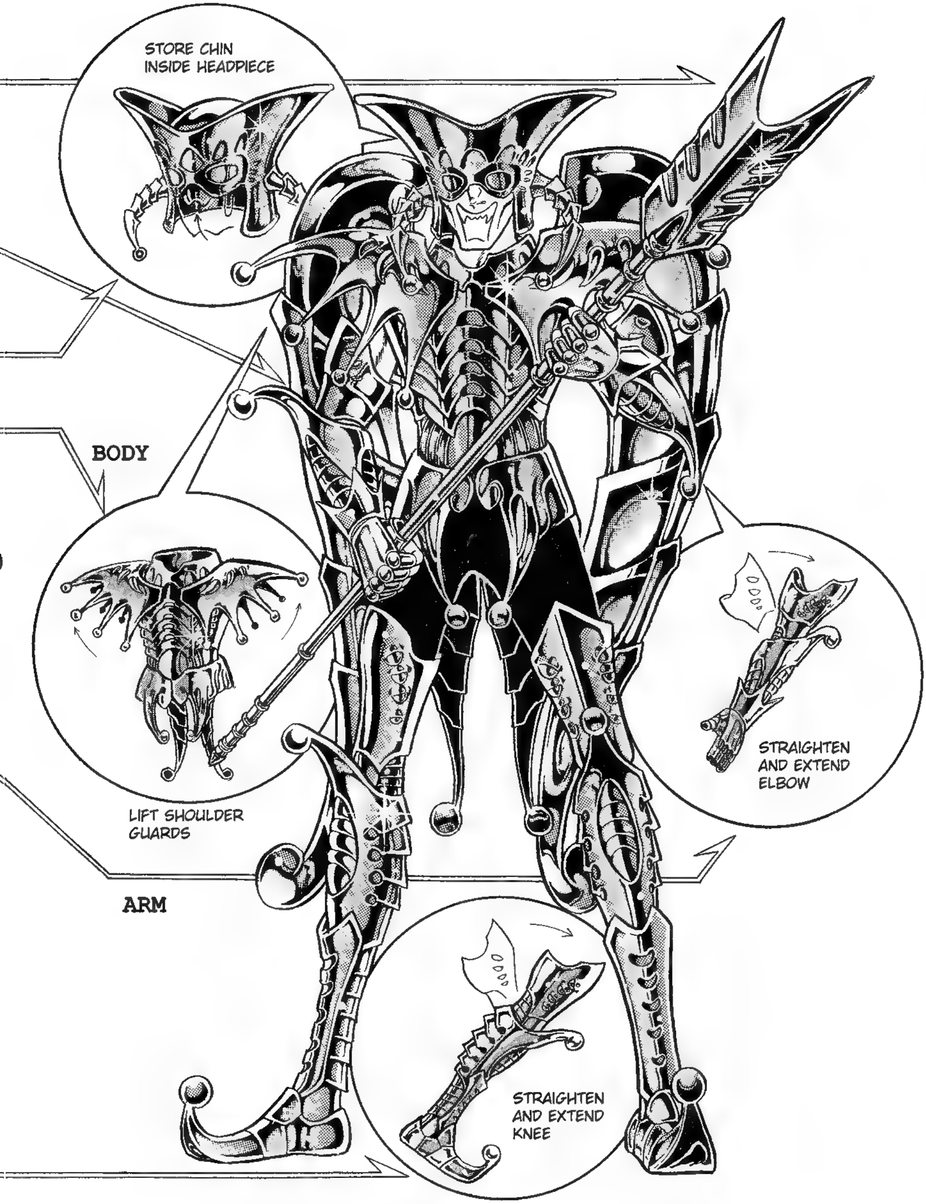
LADY PANDORA HAS SENT WORD SEVERAL TIMES FOR YOU TO MAKE HASTE, LORD RHADAMANTHYS.
ABSURD.
YOU... BUT WHY?

READ THIS WAY


...SO YOU'RE JUST GOING TO IGNORE HIS SAGE ADVICE?
WHAT?
IF YOU VALUE YOUR LIFE, GET LOST NOW.
IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW MANY HUNDREDS OF YOU COME AT ME.
DO YOU WANT TO TURN YOURSELF IN...
...OR DIE FIGHTING?

FINE... BEHOLD THE POWER THAT CAN PULVERIZE PLANETS AND STARS!!
YEAH, RIGHT!!
GO AHEAD AND TRY US!!
WE'LL SMASH THAT BIG MOUTH!!

GALAXIAN EXPLO-SION!!



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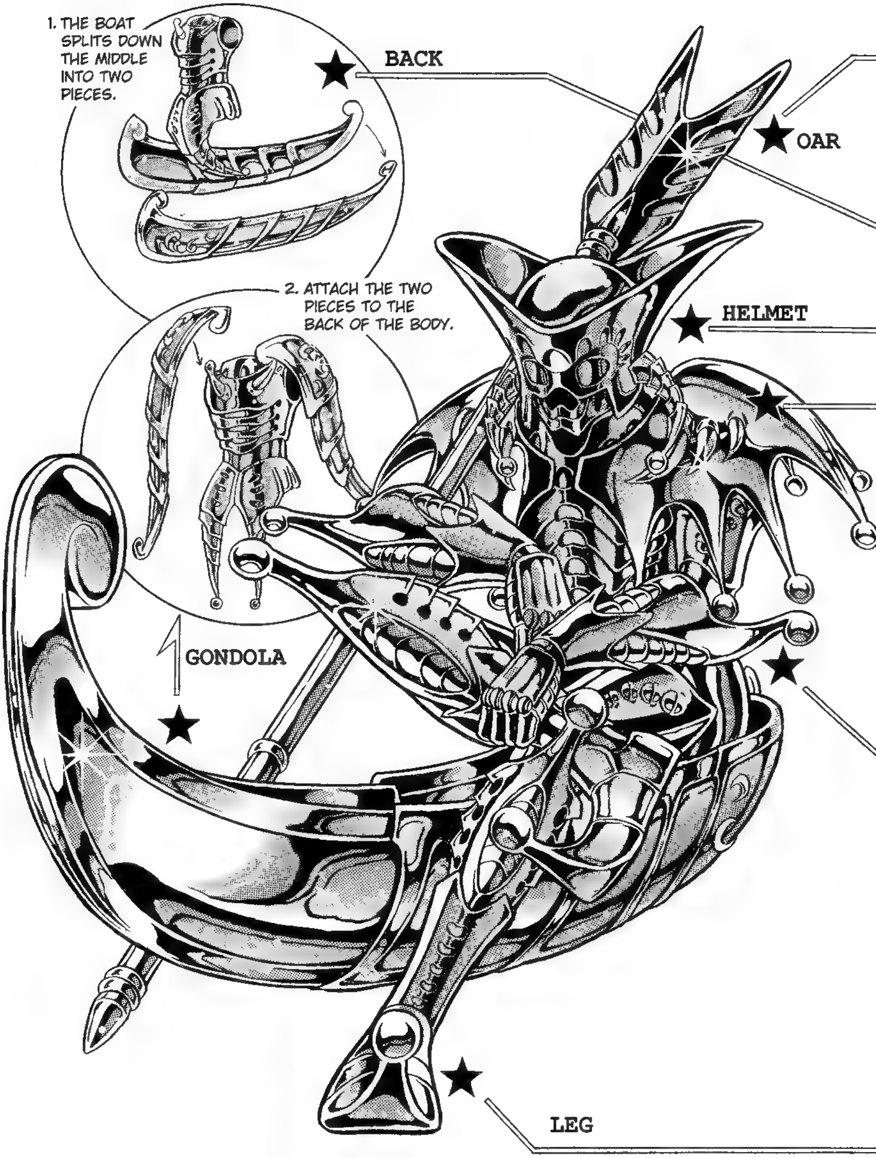
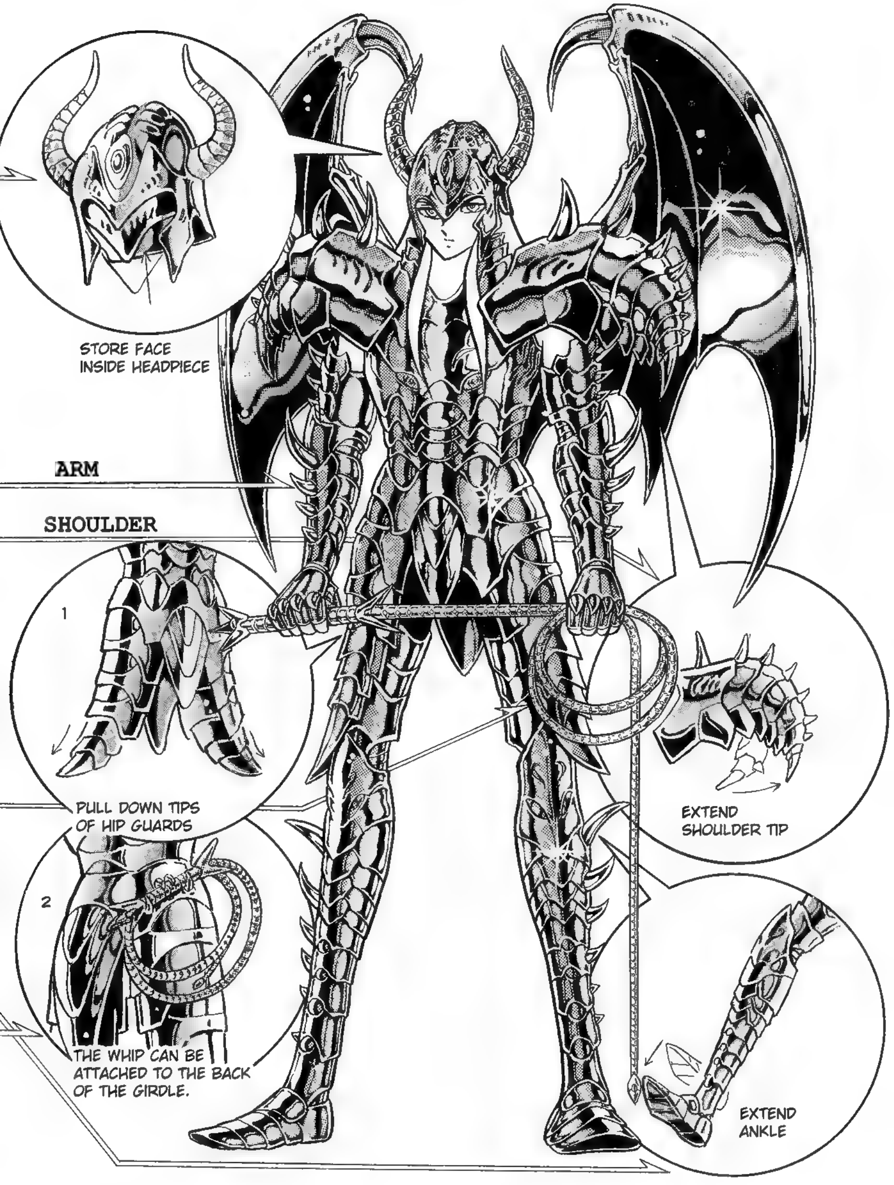


SURPLICE BREAKDOWN AND FITTING CHART 9

THE CELESTIAL INTERVAL STAR



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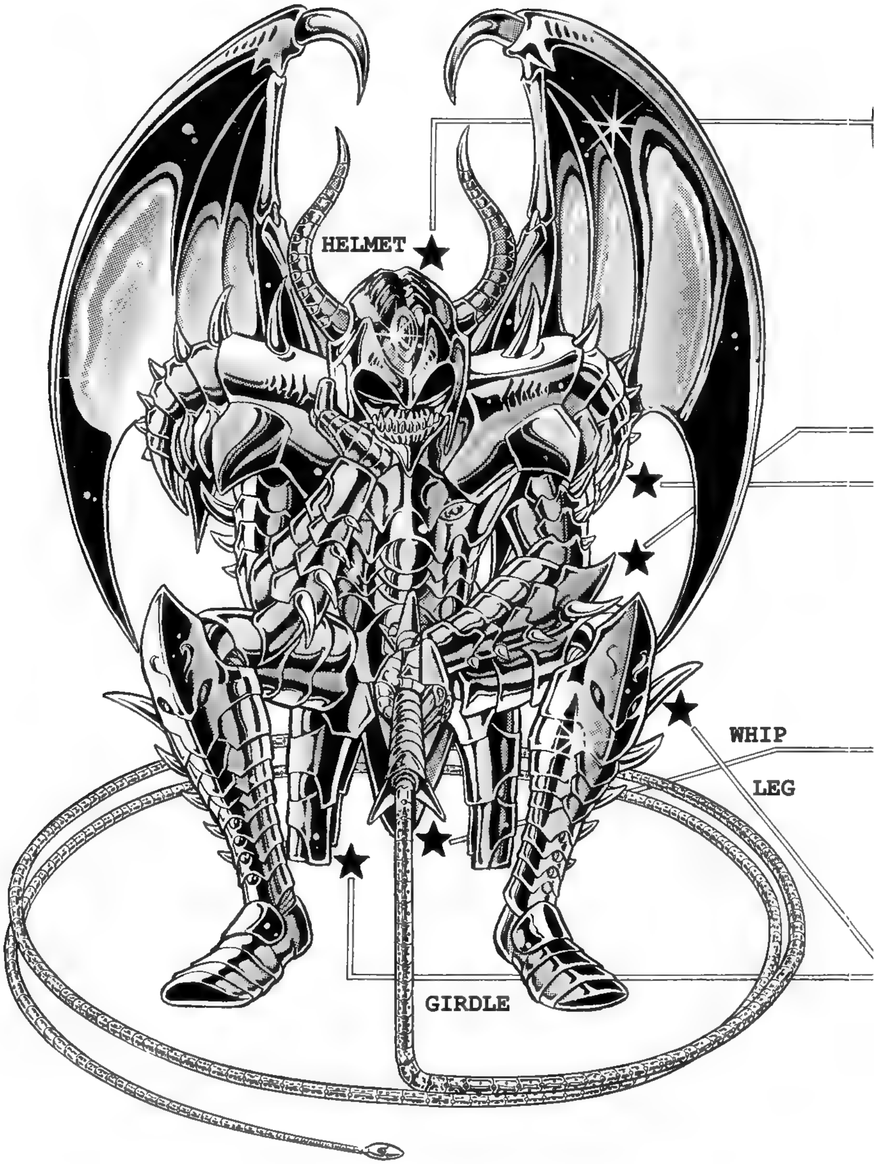
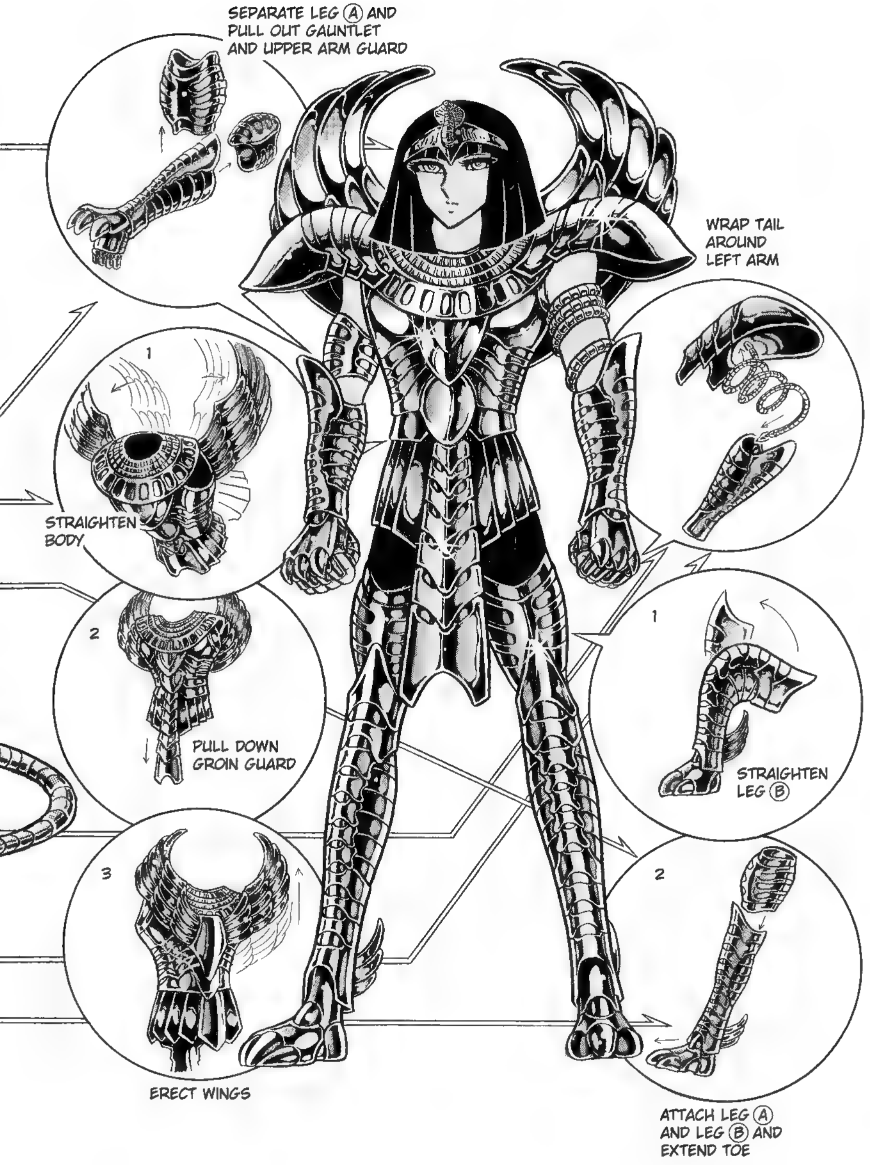
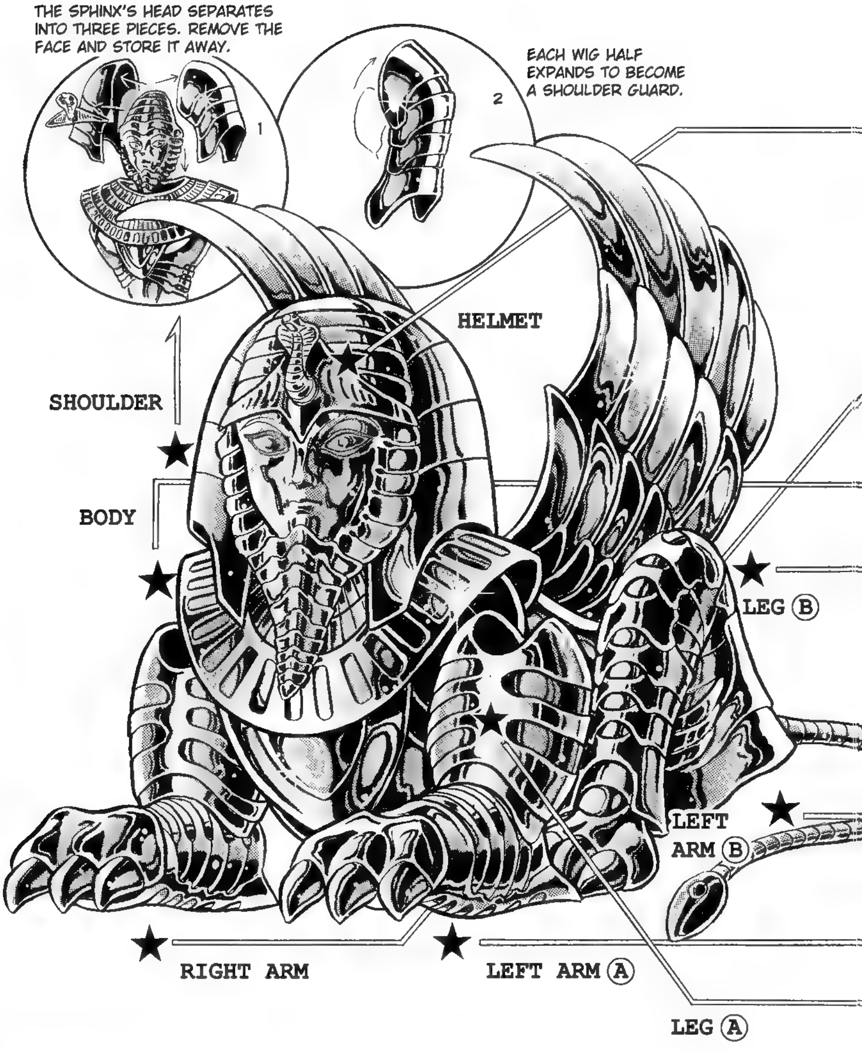
THE CELESTIAL EMINENT STAR BALRON SURPLICE



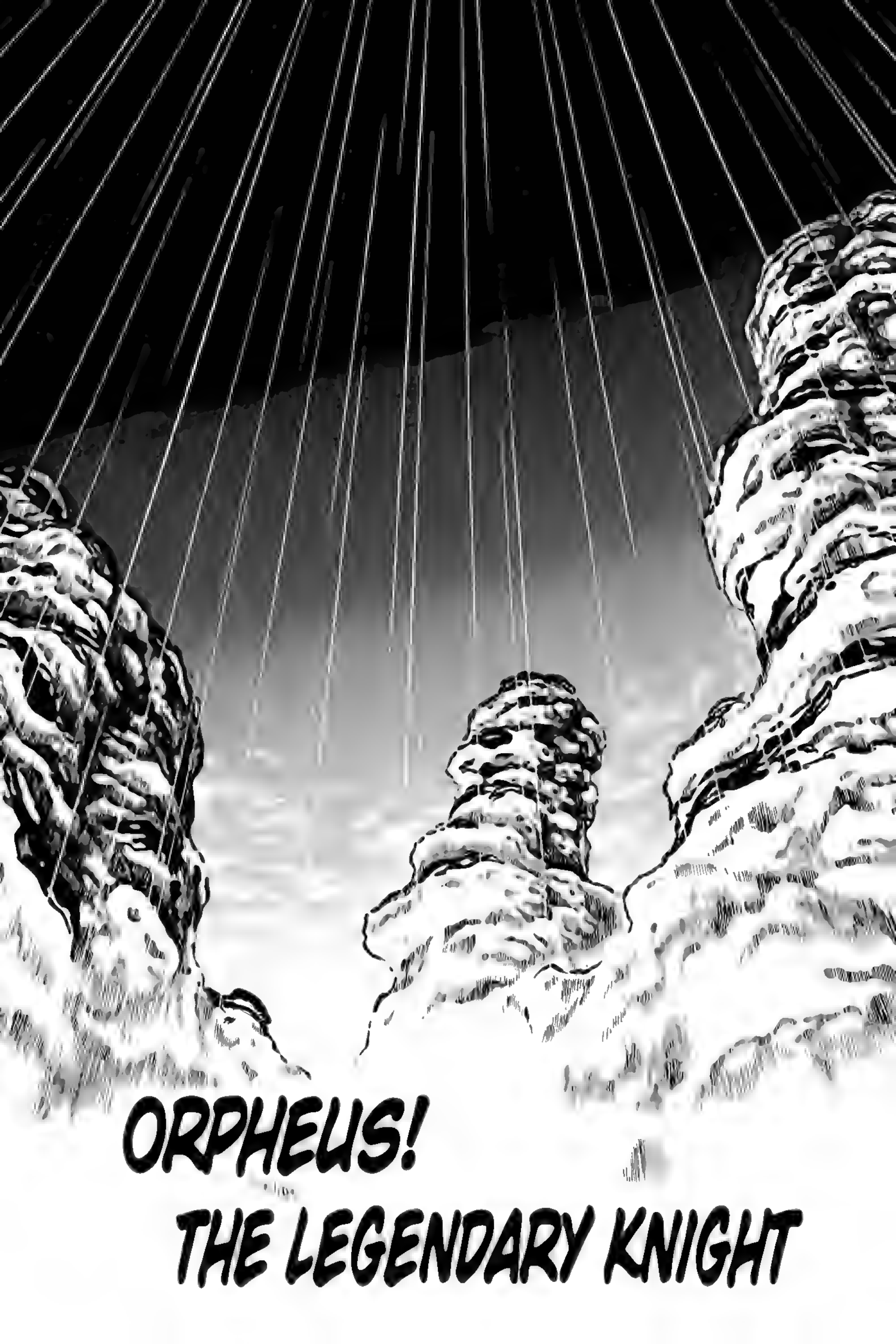
HELMET
WHIP
LEG
GIRDLE


SEPARATE LEG Ⓐ AND PULL OUT GAUNTLET AND UPPER ARM GUARD
WRAP TAIL AROUND LEFT ARM
1
STRAIGHTEN BODY
2
PULL DOWN GROIN GUARD
3
ERECT WINGS
1
STRAIGHTEN LEG Ⓑ
2
ATTACH LEG Ⓐ AND LEG Ⓑ AND EXTEND TOE

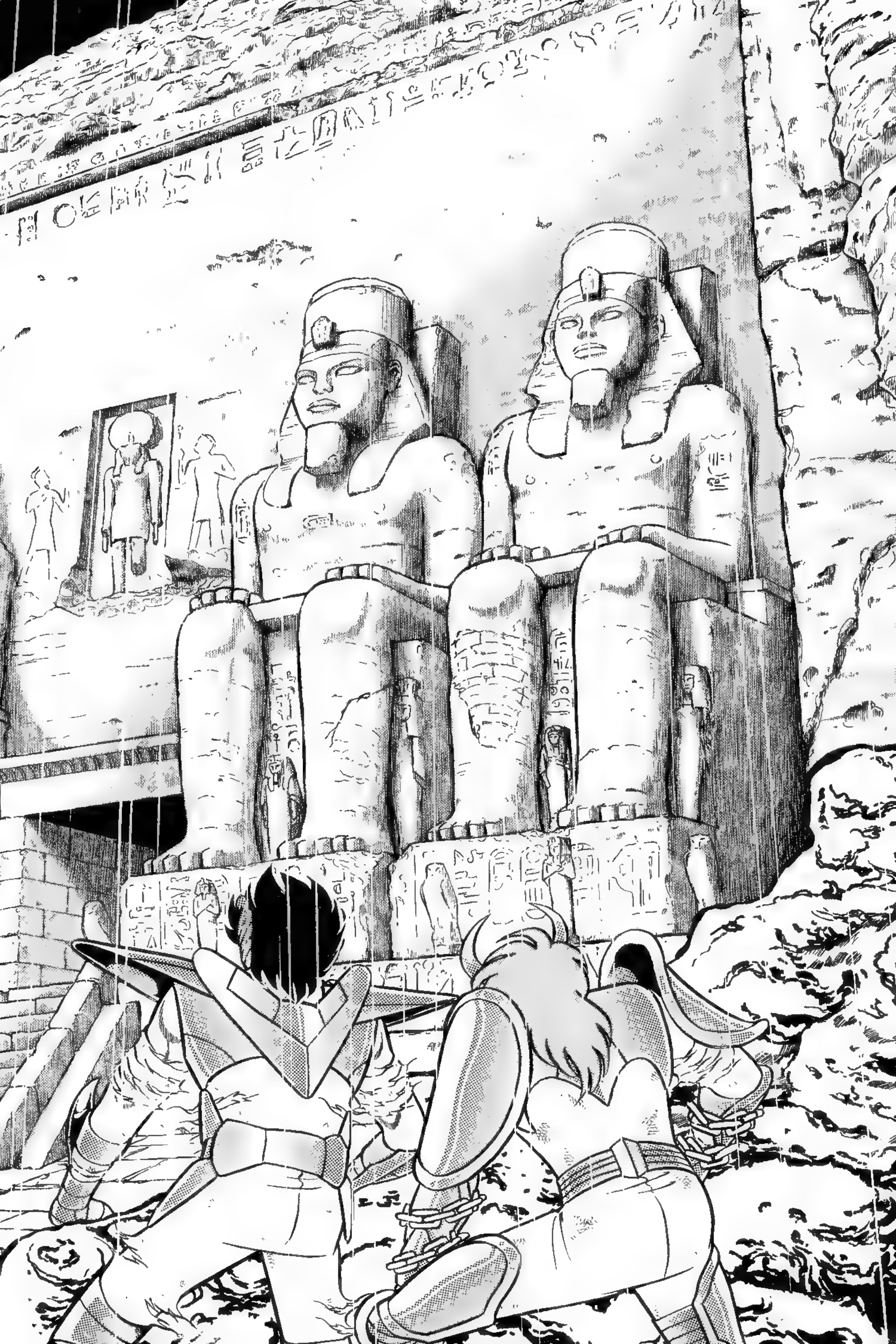


SURPLICE BREAKDOWN AND FITTING CHART 11

THE CELESTIAL BEAST STAR SPHINX SURPLICE


ORPHEUS!
THE LEGENDARY KNIGHT

READ THIS WAY



WHAT'S THAT STENCH?
IT SMELLS LIKE A ZOO...
OH!
GRRR
WH...
WHAT?
THIS MUST BE THE SECOND PRISON !!

CHOMP
CHOMP
GRRooo
CHOMP

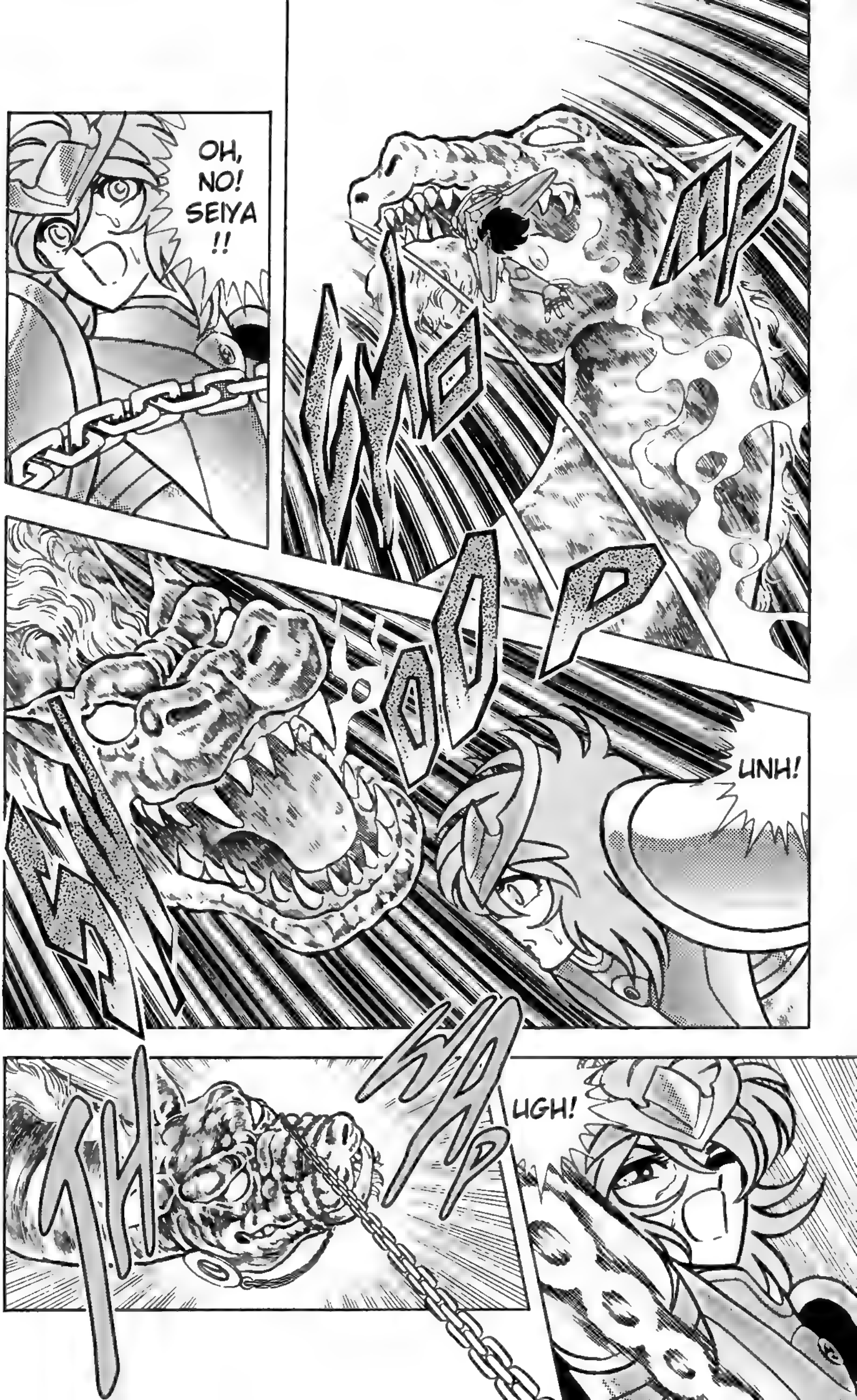
RRRRRA
WR

IT'S HUGE!
IT'S DEVOURING THE DEAD WITH ALL THREE OF ITS HEADS!
GRRH...
WE CAN'T AFFORD TO WASTE TIME ON THAT MONSTER.
LET'S TRY TO SNEAK PAST IT.
OKAY.

SWOOP
WAAH !!
CRUNCH
CRUNCH
AAAARGH!
SEIYA!! NO!!
BLECH
UGH... UNNH...
HURR?
GRR...

READ THIS WAY

... CELESTIAL BEAST STAR SPHINX PHARAOH !!
GRR!
AND THIS CUTE LITTLE CRITTER IS CERBERUS, THE GUARD DOG OF HELL.
THOSE WHO COMMITTED SINS OF GREED WHILE ALIVE ARE SENT HERE TO BECOME HIS MEAL.
THE UNDER-WORLD KNOWS OF YOUR PRES-ENCE.
YOU CAN-NOT HIDE.
KLINK..
UNH...
I'LL FEED THE TWO OF YOU TO CER-BERUS!!


OH, NO! SEIYA !!
WHOOP
UNH!
UGH!

HEH...YOU FOOL. THAT PUNY LITTLE CHAIN IS NO MATCH FOR CERBERUS!
UNH ...
WAAH !!
NOW JOIN PEGASUS IN MY PET'S GULLET !!
S... SEIYA ...

N...
NOW HOLD IT RIGHT THERE.
HE MAY BE THE GUARD DOG OF HELL...
...BUT YOU SHOULD'VE TRAINED THIS PUPPY...
NO!
SEIYA !!

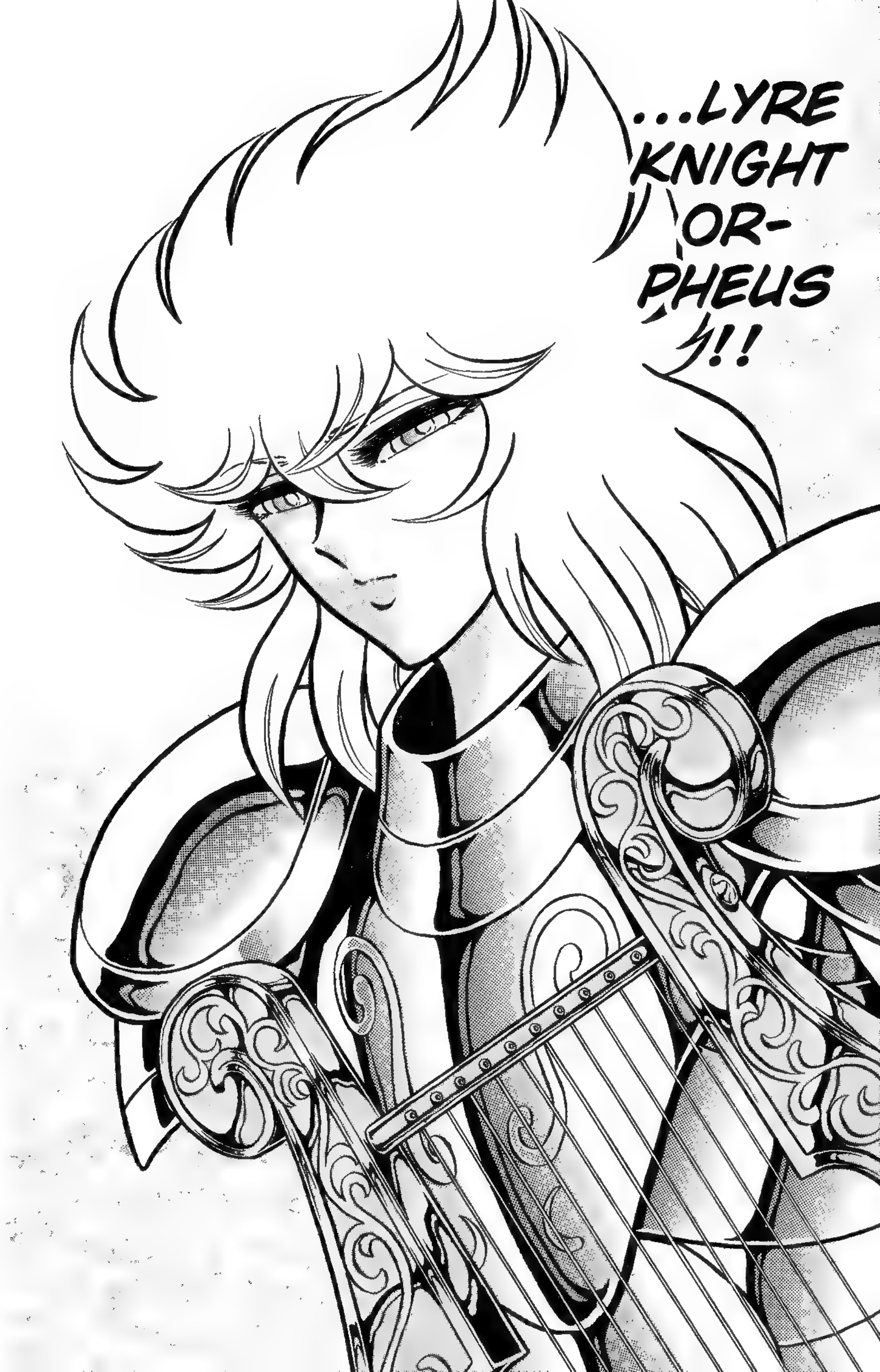
...NOT TO CHEW ON LIVING PEOPLE !!

WHOOOSH
WHAM
YOWWWL!
WHAT?
WATCH OUT, SEIYA!!
GREAT CAPTURE!!

RRAWR
!!

YOU WANT TO GET KNOCKED OUT LIKE THIS BRUTE, OR WHAT?
CER-BERUS !!
DON'T SWEAT IT! HE'S JUST KNOCKED OUT FOR NOW.
SO WHAT'LL IT BE?
HUP
HEH.
I THINK YOU'RE ASKING TO SUFFER THE *GREAT CURSE OF PHARAOH.*

YOU'LL REGRET NOT LETTING CER-BERUS EAT YOU...
WAIT, PHARAOH. LET ME DEAL WITH THEM.
HEY!
WHAT ?
YOU'RE ...


...LYRE KNIGHT OR-PHEUS!!

IS IT REALLY HIM? THE LEGENDARY SILVER KNIGHT WHO WAS SUPPOSED TO BE EVEN MORE POWERFUL THAN THE GOLDS?
O...OR-PHEUS!

HE WENT MISSING A FEW YEARS AGO. RUMOR HAD IT HE WAS DEAD.
SEEING HIM HERE...
HEH... ORPHEUS ISN'T DEAD.
THIS MAN CAME TO THE UNDERWORLD ALIVE TO SERVE LORD HADES.
HUH ?
WHA ...
WHAT ?

IS THAT TRUE, ORPHEUS?
YOU PLEDGED FEALTY TO HADES? BUT YOU'RE A KNIGHT!
THAT'S ENOUGH TALK!!
SUBMIT TO THE PHARAOH'S CURSE AND DIE!!
OR-PHEUS!!
UNH!
RIGHT NOW, ATHENA'S ...

RRR

I'VE NEVER HEARD SUCH AN EERIE MELODY!!
WH... WHAT'S THIS OPPRESSIVE VIBRATION?
BAL- ANCE OF CURSE !!
MY BODY FEELS HEAVIER... AND HEAVIER...
IT REALLY IS LIKE I'M UNDER AN EVIL CURSE!
UGH!
I'VE GOT TO DO SOME- THING!!

CIRCLE DE-FENSE !!
MY STRENGTH'S SEEPING AWAY...
NO... I CAN STILL HEAR IT...
TAKE THIS!!
UGH!
HEH... FOOLS.
NOTHING YOU DO CAN ESCAPE MY MAGIC HARP.

ZDOOOOOOOOOM
PEGASUS METEOR PUNCH!!
SH
SHSH
SH SH
SH SH
SHSH
IT'S NOT WORKING AT ALL!!
NO!

LOOK DOWN AT YOUR-SELVES ...
STRUUM
WHAT ?
DON'T YOU SEE? YOU'RE ALREADY UNDER MY SPELL.
S...
SEIYA !!
UNH!
WH ...
WHAT'S GOING ON?

NO WAY!! MY HEART IS RIPPING ITS WAY OUT OF MY CHEST!!

YOUR HEART IS ABOUT TO BE WEIGHED ON THE SACRED SCALE!!
IF IT DOESN'T BALANCE WITH MA'AT'S FEATHER, THE SYMBOL OF TRUTH, YOU WILL BE DEEMED EVIL...
...AND YOU'LL BE *ERASED FROM THE UNIVERSE,* BODY AND SOUL!!

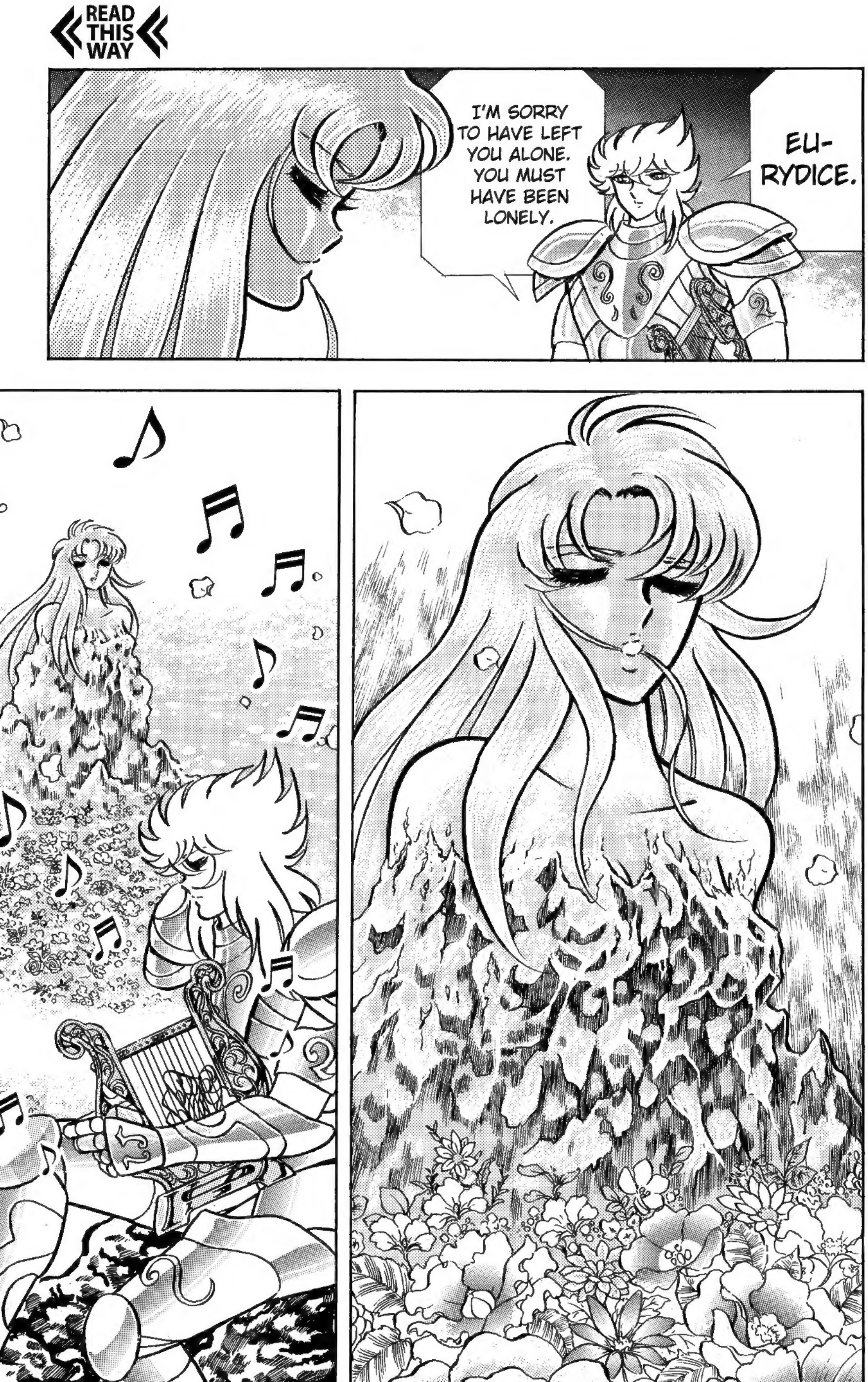
READ THIS WAY
I SUMMON THEE OUT OF THY FLESH AND ONTO THE SACRED SCALE!!
STRUM!
NOW, HEART OF PEGA- SUS!!
SEIYA !!
GLOOP
WAAAAH!!

PLINK
HUH?
SEIYA?
M...MY HEART'S BACK INSIDE MY BODY!
hff
hff
hff
WHAT'S GOING ON?
OR-PHEUS.
WHY DO YOU INTER-FERE?

OH!
WHAT ?
UNH ...
OR-PHEUS, DON'T TELL ME...

STRINGER NOC-TURNE!!
WAAAAH!!

TO BE CONTINUED IN VOLUME 24!


READ THIS WAY
EU-RYDICE.
I'M SORRY TO HAVE LEFT YOU ALONE. YOU MUST HAVE BEEN LONELY.